

CAIRO MEN MET HERE WEDNESDAY

Six members of the Cairo Chamber of Commerce met with members of the Sikeston Chamber of Commerce, Wednesday morning and discussed the proposed bridge stock drive which is to take place in this city, Friday. The Cairo Committee consisting of H. R. Johnson, W. F. Dougherty, Tom Madra, Frank Schuh, John Greaney and T. W. Williams will return Friday and work with a committee from the Sikeston Club consisting of C. C. White, E. C. Matthews, Lyman Bowman, Emanuel Schorle, M. M. Beck and C. E. Felker in canvassing the town.

The Cairo Bridge and Terminal Company has been organized to construct, own and operate a highway toll bridge across the Mississippi River connecting the new existing concrete road system of Illinois at Cairo with the State Highway System of Missouri at Birds Point. The estimated cost of the completed bridge, including interest charges on mortgage bonds and debentures during the course of construction will be more than \$3,000,000 and will be represented as follows:

First mortgage, 20 year, 7 per cent bonds, \$2,000,000; 7 per cent debentures, \$500,000; 7 per cent preferred stock (this issue) \$650,000; common stock, no par value, 60,000 shares.

The first mortgage bonds, debentures and the remaining \$50,000 of preferred stock have been underwritten by H. M. Bylesby Company and the Federal Securities Corporation of Chicago, which insures the successful financing of the property.

The proposed bridge was designed by Dr. J. A. L. Waddell, the eminent engineer, and approved by Ford, Bacon & Davis, Inc., who also, after a careful estimate of the traffic which will be enjoyed, state that the earnings from this bridge will be sufficient to pay all interest charges taxes, provide dividends on the preferred stock and dividends on the common stock at a very satisfactory rate and retire the debentures within a period of 15 years of operation, the first mortgage bonds and the preferred stock within twenty years. Each subscriber to a share of preferred stock will also receive one share of common stock.

Bridge High Lights

The Bridge Committee has dependable information that the Ferry Companies operating between Cairo and Missouri are collecting fares sufficient to take care of the interest on the bonds and preferred stock of the proposed Cairo-Missouri bridge and leave a balance for a sinking fund to apply on the principal. Everybody knows that traffic will be greatly increased by the bridge service over the present ferry service; so there will be abundant funds to take care of the stock and bonds.

At the present time the 1700 automobiles in the city of Cairo average less than one trip yearly into Southeast Missouri. When the bridge is completed there will be at least 2000 automobiles in the city of Cairo that will average at least six trips to Missouri yearly. This will also apply to towns North of Cairo, as well as all of the Missouri territory that will be benefited by the bridge. This increase in travel will more than pay half of the interest on the money that will be raised by the people of Cairo.

Increase the value of not only the property in Cairo but the farming territory close by in Illinois and Missouri.

Increase the revenue of the cotton crop in Southeast Missouri because it can be brought to Cairo and shipped to the market at a much cheaper cost than it can be shipped now from Southeast Missouri.

Will increase the revenue for hogs and cattle in Southeast Missouri because they can be driven over the bridge directly to the packing plant.

Will increase the freight rates from Cairo to all Southeast Missouri points because of the commutation bonds to be issued making the rate for local people over the bridge at 50 cents.

Eventually may bring a railroad with all its benefits over the bridge.

Last Saturday I had to go to Sikeston, Mo.,—account of ice (zero weather) waited 50 minutes to get a ferry—took 1 3/4 hours to get to Birds Point. Total time over 2 1/2 hours. Bridge would have consumed 5 minutes.

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W. H. TANNER MADE FARM BUREAU HEAD

W. H. Tanner was made president of the Scott County Farm Bureau at its annual meeting held at Benton, Tuesday. J. J. Reiss was named vice-president; L. A. Schott, Benton, secretary; Mr. Heisserer, Benton, treasurer.

The principal resolution adopted, demanded that the tax valuation of Southeast Missouri farm lands be reduced and that the Missouri Legislature not curtail appropriations for agricultural extension work. Resolutions commending the Scott County Court for its support of agricultural extension work in Scott County and commending County Agent A. J. Renner and the specialists of the extension service for the work done in the county, endorsing 'Neighbor Day' and extending praise to the newspapers of the district for their co-operation, were adopted.

The principal talks of the occasion were made by the president, W. H. Tanner, County Superintendent of Schools J. H. Goodin, secretary of the Southeast Missouri Association W. F. D. Batjer, and Congressman James F. Fulbright. Fulbright's talk dealt mainly with the farmers' problems and stressed the need of farm relief legislation. He also spoke of the need for reduction of tax valuations in Southeast Missouri.

The following members of the executive committee were named: J. S. Hodges and W. W. Hinchey, Sikeston; J. F. Diebold and Andy Heisserer, Kelso; Nick Menz, Chaffee; Joe Stricker, Charleston route; Tony Goshe, R. Q. Black, August Klueppel, Jr., M. C. Dunn, Oran; Mrs. Frank Emerson and Hal Boyce, Morley; Evie Burke, Vanduser; Theon Grojan, New Hamburg; Mrs. Joe Ellis, John R. Scherer and George Buck, Commerce; Carl Luper, Alden; Pinney, T. E. Chewing and Charles A. Leedy, Benton; Judge Wm. Pfefferkorn and Dr. Neinstedt, Blodgett.

SIKESTON MAN HEADS COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

Dr. Howard M. Kendig was chosen president of the Scott County Medical Society at the annual meeting of the association at Benton Tuesday afternoon. Other officers chosen were Dr. Ashley of Illinois, vice-president; Dr. G. S. Cannon, Fomfelt, secretary-treasurer; Dr. U. P. Haw of Benton, delegate to the state convention at Sedalia in April.

Recent basketball victories over both Wentworth and Kemper have put the Chillicothe Business College quintet in line for another Missouri State Conference basketball championship.

HIGHWAY MEETING AT BENTON THURSDAY

Employees of the Missouri State Highway Division No. 10 assembled in the Community Hall at Benton Thursday for their annual meeting and banquet which this year takes the form of a farewell to their retiring chief, Frank B. Newton, who sails shortly for South America.

Prior to the banquet, the afternoon session was devoted to a discussion of the highway problems of the district, addresses being given by T. H. Cutler, the new chief engineer; C. D. Matthews, Jr., chairman of the Commission and other members of the Missouri Highway Commission who were expected to be present.

Following the banquet, a number of amusing features were planned including a basketball game between the "Fats" and the "Leans", and a tug-of-war between the "Hill Billies" of Cape Girardeau and Bollinger Counties and the "Swamp Angels" of Dunklin, Pemiscot and Stoddard Counties.

Music was furnished at the banquet by Kassel's Orchestra of Cape Girardeau and by the Division quartette. F. W. Sayers acted as toastmaster.

Les Sexton was in New Madrid, on Tuesday.

Barney Waggoner drove to St. Louis, Sunday.

Mrs. Ruskin Cook left Tuesday to join her husband in St. Louis.

Miss Frances Burch was the guest of friends in Lilbourn last week-end.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY TO BE OPENED ON MONDAY

Book lovers will be privileged to borrow books from the Sikeston Public Library beginning Monday, February 14, Dr. W. H. Johnson, the librarian, has announced.

The Public Library was made possible by the loan of a number of books by the Missouri State Library Commission. These will be loaned out, free of charge to the people of the town upon their obtaining a library card and having it signed by two responsible persons, thus guaranteeing the return of the books.

The library, for the times being at least, will be housed in Dr. Johnson's office in the Hotel Del Rey building and will be open from 4:00 to 5:00 each afternoon of the week and Sunday mornings.

To supplement the books furnished by the State Library Commission, it is hoped that people will contribute books from their personal libraries from time to time and that a sizable collection of worthwhile literature may then be made available to the public.

Books received from the Library Commission are:

Adams, "Success"; Altsheiler, "Horsemen of the Plains"; Ashmun, "Heart of Isable Carleton"; Bailey, "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars"; "Mistress Anne"; Barrie, "What Every Woman Knows"; Bassett, "Steve and the Steam Engine"; Bennett, "Historical Readings"; Bok, "Americanization of Edward W. Bok"; Boyle, "Rural Problems in the United States"; Brigham, "Box Furniture"; Cady, "Caleb Cottontail"; Crane, "Crane Classics"; Dole, "Religion for the New Day"; Emery, "How to Enjoy Pictures"; Evans, "Worthwhile Stories for Every Day"; Fox, "Erskine Dale"; "Pioneer"; Frees, "Animal Mother Goose"; Geirstam, "Book About Little Brother"; Hall, "Good Form For All Occasions"; "Thru Mocking Bird Gap"; "When I Was a Boy in Norway"; Haworth, "Trailmakers of the Northwest"; Ireland, "Joseph Pulitzer"; Johnson, "Old Time Schools and School Books"; "What to See in America"; "Wanted Generation"; King, "Empty Stack"; Lucas, "Wanderer in Washington"; Kyne, "Pride of Palomar"; "Mirrors of Washington"; Montgomery, "Rilla of Ingleside"; Morgan, "Boy's Home Book of Science and Construction"; Morris, "Blue Anchor Inn"; Mulford, "Bar-20 Days"; Richards, "High Tide"; Robinson, "My Brother, Theodore Roosevelt"; Seton, "Two Little Savages"; Sheridan, "Mayfair to Moscow"; Simpson, "Hidden Treasure"; Sinclair, "Mr. Waddington of Wyck"; Spyri, "Cornelli"; Tappan, "Heroes of Progress"; Tarkington, "Alice Adams"; Wells, "Outline of History"; Wharton, "Age of Innocence"; Widemer, "Year of Delight"; Williams, "What's On the Worker's Mind"; Baker, "Adventures in Misunderstanding"; Barrie, "Window in Thrums"; Collins, Wonders of Natural History"; Conrad, "Arrow of Gold"; Dana, "Two Years Before the Mast"; Dewey, "New Schools for Old"; Gale, "Faint Perfume"; Gordon, "Glengarry School Days"; Hardy, "Passe Rose"; Kipling, "Departmental Ditties"; Lincoln, "Galusha, the Magnificent"; London, "Sea Wolf"; Marshall, "Old Order Changeth"; Masefield, Captain Margaret"; "Salt Water Poems and Ballads"; Masson, "Our American Humorists"; Norris, "Certain People of Importance"; Oxenham, "Men of Sark"; Rexford, "Four Seasons in a Garden"; Steele, "Vacation Journeys East and West"; Wister, "Virginians";

Books may be borrowed for a period of one week and may be renewed for an additional week. A fine of five cents will be collected for each day a book is kept over time.

MATTHEWS SALE DRAWS LARGE ATTENDANCE

The sale of farm implements and stock, held by Joe Matthews on his farm one mile south of town, Tuesday, was attended by an unusually large crowd of people. Prices for the most part were very good, the total sum realized being about \$4000.

Farmers present, in talking over the tools and implements, most of which had seen their best years of service, stated that they were typical of the farming tools of this section of country as during the past few years, the farmers had been in no condition to replace worn out tools with new, but had been forced to make out with what they had. A great many of these tools were bought by the farmers for the repairs in them. C. C. Freeman's sale was held Thursday and the John Chaney sale will be held the 15th.

UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB WINNER OF VALLEY CONTEST

The University of Missouri Glee Club, which is to appear in Sikeston March 23, under the auspices of Sikeston High School and the Lions Club, won first honors in the contest conducted last week in St. Louis for Universities and Colleges of the Missouri Valley Conference. Kansas took second honors, Washington University, third.

The fact that the University Glee Club won premier honors in the Valley would indicate that it possesses exceptional talent this year and will be unusually well worth hearing.

The Standard \$1.50, per year.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN REGULAR SESSION

Monday evening was the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen and all were present but two, F. H. Smith and J. F. Cox. It gave promise of being a bit exciting, but turned out to be calm.

The first business taken up was the request of Rowan & Rickard, the sewer contractors, for a release of a part of the guarantee money held in reserve, and a verbal report of the engineers, Wilcox & Berthe, made by Mr. Berthe. Mr. Berthe stated the entire east section of the sewer was completed, except for some minor things and the extension on Ethel Avenue that will not be taken up until after the west section, and if the east section was needed it could be placed in immediate use. He believed the city would be safe to release to the contractors as much as \$2000, but not over \$3500, as that would then leave a balance of approximately \$12,000 with which to finish the west section of about 2200 feet. It was voted to not release the guarantee money at this time. Mr. Berthe expects to have Mr. Wilcox down from St. Louis about the 15th of the month at which time the east sewer and the Inhoff tank will be given the final inspection.

Then came the gas tax question. About every oil station in Sikeston was represented, and when called on by the Mayor for an expression, were unanimously against it for the reason that it would injure their business, hurt the city and would bring in insufficient money to pave or keep the streets in proper condition. C. E. Brenton, C. H. Denman and C. L. Blaton likewise expressed the opinion that it would be hurtful to Sikeston.

It was estimated that from 50,000 to 100,000 gallons of gas was sold by the filling stations in Sikeston each month and with a tax of 1/2 cent per gallon, would bring in \$250 to \$500 per month. The oil men believed their business would fall off 40 per cent in case the tax was added.

It was stated that it would cost about \$3000 per block to place an 8-inch coat of gravel on our street including a concrete curb and gutter. At this juncture E. C. Matthews stated that he had a letter from the Missouri Pacific stating they would cede a strip of ground 10 feet wide and running from School Street to the Robinson Lumber Co., provided that the City of Sikeston would pave same without cost to the railroad company. It was estimated to cost \$5000 and it was for this purpose that the gas tax first gathered was to be used. As the City Attorney had not received the desired information for the Board, he was requested to make further efforts and have same ready for an adjourned meeting next Monday night.

Then followed the regular routine of receiving reports and allowing bills.

DEATH OF A VALUED NEW MADRID CITIZEN

Mr. Gottfried Schuereberg was born January 16, 1856, died February 7, 1927, age 71 years and 22 days.

Mr. Schuereberg came from Germany at the age of 22 years. Married Emma B. Engert, forty-five years ago at Perryville, Mo. To this union were born five sons and three daughters, all of whom survive, except one daughter and one son, who preceded him to the Happy Home several years ago.

He leaves to mourn his loss, a devoted, true wife, four sons and two daughters; seventeen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Schuereberg was stricken several days ago with a cold, which later developed into pneumonia.

SENATE PASSES FIRST MEASURE OF SESSION

Jefferson City, February 9.—The State Senate today passed several bills, the first of the present session, relating to powers and duties of drainage and levee districts in the State. They were designed to stop "organized repudiation of drainage and levee taxes", and were introduced by Senator Ralph Wammack, Democrat, Bloomfield.

The bills now go to the House for further consideration. Hal Hunter of New Madrid drove to Sikeston, Monday.

Miss Sarah Wilson spent the past week-end in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Felker and family spent Sunday in Bloomfield.

SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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E. W. Stephens of Columbia, founder of the E. W. Stephens Printing Co., and one of the State's most eminent citizens was an honored guest at The Standard office, Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Stephens with his family is driving to California and was a guest at the Hotel Del Rey Wednesday night. He has within the past year traveled through seventeen states and he informs us that of all the places he has been he considers Southeast Missouri and the "Blue-grass section" of Kentucky as the most favored sections. He predicts a remarkable future for this section of the country when it begins to attain its true development.

The greatest corporation in all Southeast Missouri has been giving some very bum service of late. Of course, when the ice broke down poles and lines, there was an excuse beyond human beings, but the out at supper time Wednesday evening was pretty tough on hotels, restaurants and places that serve the public. These things are what cause the public to rear up on its hind legs and build their own plant and say, dern the cost.

We were talking to Charlie Hebbeler the other day at the Matthews sale and we were quite surprised to learn of the success he and Harold have made of their dairy farm. It serves to illustrate a point which we have been trying to put before the farmers of this section for some time, namely that a small farm, carefully managed and worked properly will bring in a better return than a farm of many acres worked under the prevalent one crop system with tenant labor. That the Hebbeler brothers are engaged in the dairy business is almost accident. Their ice cream factory requires an assured supply of high grade milk and cream and they found it difficult to supply this demand with cream from the local market. So, to provide themselves with cream, the quality of which they were certain, they established their dairy farm, hardly realizing that it would prove to be the profitable investment it is. The ninety-acre tract of land and buildings represent an investment of over \$16,000. An accurate record of the expenditures of the farm and the income it has brought in, shows a return of 11.6 per cent on that investment during the year 1926. Included in the expense was the price paid for expensive labor which the average farmer would do himself; also several heavy losses to livestock as well as the cost of a number of improvements. One of the ways in which the Hebbeler's are constantly trying to build up their farm is by the addition to their herd of high grade purebred cattle. They also believe strongly in hogs as a source of revenue to the farmer and recently purchased a \$100 purebred brood sow. Cows and hogs for the small farmer are the best sources of revenue, they find. This simply shows what can be done with a farm of this type and we hope to see more of the same in this section the coming year.

Sikeston will benefit immensely by the Cairo bridge and our citizens who can, should take some of the stock as it will certainly pay big dividends, in more ways than one, on the investment.

Those who cook by electricity will now get busy rigging up the old cook stove or buying a new one. Dead stoves are like dead men, tell no tales nor cook hot suppers.

Gene Tunney has signed to make \$800,000 in one fight. Rogers Hornsby is to get \$40,000 a year playing baseball six months, a 17-year-old lad has won \$25,000 swimming a channel, and Babe Ruth will probably sign up to get \$75,000 a season. Yet there remain parents who wish their boys could grow up to be President.—New York Sun.

The Cairo bridge deserves not only the financial support of the people of this vicinity, but their moral support as well. It is a project which careful analysis indicates to be a good financial investment to those who buy stock in the venture; it is certain to be a project which will pay big dividends to Southeast Missouri and Southern Illinois industrially. We are for the bridge and we believe that it will benefit the people of this town in a large way.

Harold Pitman has been named by Congressman Ralph E. Bailey as alternate appointee to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Bobby Wilbur is the appointee and is now preparing for the entrance examinations. Harold will graduate from Skeston High School this spring. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman.

WHAT PRICE EVOLUTION?

The anti-evolution bill, which would prohibit the teaching of the theory of evolution in State schools, was turned down by an 82-61 vote in the Missouri House of Representatives, Tuesday afternoon. Which action shakes somewhat the conviction we had formed of the intellectual status of the august assemblage. It is a bit disquieting to learn that 82 of the members of our State assembly show sufficient sense to see the ridiculousness of the anti-evolution bill. It is a bit disappointing to learn that our lawmakers include only 61 bigots. And it is a bit amusing to find that there were seven members of the legislature who didn't know where they stood. They were perched on the fence, monkey-fashion, peering inquisitively down, not knowing which side to hop down on. And while they sat, scratching their heads in bewilderment, the show came to an end. It is at least gratifying to know that the representative of Scott County, Mr. Washburn of Chaffee, knew where he stood and so voted. Mr. Washburn voted for the anti-evolution bill. It is surprising to us that Mr. Washburn, coming as he does from a Union Labor town, should so have voted. It seems to us that one imbued as he must be with the idea of the protection of the laborer from the capitalist would have carried the analogy out a bit further and voted for the privilege of protecting the right of the laborer and the laborer's children to think and learn for themselves, free from the bothersome meddling of the bigot who would have peoples minds molded and stamped into a pattern as uniform and unchanging as the silver dollar. But, perhaps the prophet of fundamentalism, the Hon. Sam D. McDaniels, gaunt, lank Ozarkian from Pineville (wherever that is) who, with C. C. Jackson of Oregon, was co-author of the bill, informed Mr. Washburn that evolution was a crafty scheme of the capitalist to pervert and corrupt the minds of youth against Labor and was an attempt to prove that men were only a higher type of monkey. Certainly, the Hon. Mr. McDaniels, lean and lanky, wearing neither his own nor any man's necktie, made a picturesque figure as he arose in the House with a sheath of notes, comparable to a year's collection of Congressional Records. The Hon. McDaniels spoke with a degree of erudition that should make him a candidate for honorary degrees from Harvard and Princeton. And perhaps the University will make him a L. L. D. this June at Commencement as a reward for his distinguished and noteworthy services to the State. "The Bible is excluded from the schools by law, but Darwinism is taught at the Universities," he said. "Darwinism is not a science, but a mere hypothesis. Children shouldn't be taught an unproved theory. Let us teach them known facts and exclude a hypothesis that is unproved."

We wonder if Mr. McDaniels is aware that there is a Bible School at the State University and that its courses are open to all the students? We wonder if the mental processes of his mind are such that he believes poor, unsuspecting students are dragged into the class rooms and under threat, forced to accept Darwinism and evolution? We wonder if he actually knows what Darwin's "Theory of Evolution" is? We wonder if he actually believes college professors would present a mere theory or hypothesis to their students as facts, or that students are too dumb to differentiate between fact and theory? He says, "let us teach them known facts and exclude a hypothesis that is unproved". We wonder if he can present any more positive proof that the Bible contains facts than a Biologist can to substantiate the theory of evolution?

The profound intelligence displayed by Mr. McDaniels is displayed by further extracts from his speech. "We have been bombarded with petitions for and against this bill. A woman's club sent us a long one. You know there are clubs and clubs. Whenever a bunch of women band themselves together and try to run the world, you will notice that they are not womanly women. They are a mixture of half men and half women, leaving out the womanliness of woman and the nobility of man. They shirk the responsibility of bearing children, but when a womanly woman bears a child these neuter genders swoop down, try to take her child and teach it to be an atheist in the public schools."

"The newspapers have carried editorials against this bill. Senator Reed in a speech here, one time, said the newspapers were edited by morons. I don't hardly believe that. The newspapers take the men they can't see for reporters and make editorial writers out of them. These editorial writers are not morons, but just verbose rhetoricians."

To which, in retaliation, might be said, "Certain counties of the state take the jackasses they can't use on their farms and make representatives out of them."

Doubtless the prodigious intellect displayed by the Hon. McDaniels, with his charitables and broadened aspect of life, completely carried away our Mr. Washburn and convinced him that we are not, never were, and never shall be monkeys. At any rate, it pleases us to know by his vote Mr. Washburn has indicated that Scott County is opposed to the teaching of evolution in the public schools of the state, is opposed to Scientific Progress, is opposed to the right of the individual to think for himself and has no faith in the character and integrity of the teaching profession and its ability to determine what is fit and proper to be taught the child. Thanks Mr. Washburn.

IN MY WAY

By Warren T. Kingsbury
Snow. Galoshes and rubbers, or wet feet!
Lineman suspended from a pulley running along a cable thirty feet above the street. Apparently as much at ease as a monkey swinging from a limb, but to me that cable looks mighty slim and the sidewalk beneath, mighty hard.
A dog and his bone. Three successive days have I watched this dog and I'm certain that the bone was the same each day. He seemed to enjoy it as much the last day as he did the first and I couldn't help but think of the gum-chewing flapper, who tucks her gum away beneath a table or chair for future reference just as the dog buries his bone. And I never heard of a bone sticking to anyone's clothes.

Dogs learn much from mankind. During the old days of the saloon in Skeston, a certain man had a fine bird dog which he thought very highly of. So, each morning, when the man of the house went to town, the dog was on the porch waiting to go along with him. And when the master went into the saloon to get his eye-opener, a saucer of beer was placed on the floor for the dog. Such a taste for the foaming fluid did the dog cultivate that he couldn't get along without his beer and, if for some reason his master was out of town, he would wait on the front porch a reasonable length of time for him to appear and then proceeded down town by himself to the saloon and whine and beg until his wants were satisfied. It got so that as he grew older, he spent most of his time making the rounds of the saloons, a confirmed bum, hanging about the bar with a thirsty look on his face until someone took pity on him and had a saucer of beer placed before him. And then, he would greedily lap it up and trot off to the next bar. This dog died a drunkard's death. He was found dead out in the gutter behind a saloon.

A negro was lounging at the street curb, when a racial brother drove up in a ram-shakled Ford. "Is you-all ready to go wid me?", the driver asked.

"Yasuh! Yasuh! Jest soon as I runs over to the Post Office and fills my fountain pen", the other replied hurrying off in that direction.

He was so angry his face was ablaze and his jaws worked convulsively. When he had finally cooled down to the point where his speech was intelligible, he made known the fact that someone had stolen a ton of hay from his truck out on the highway, in broad day-light. He was starting out to his farm with it, had gotten about a mile out of town and punctured a tire. So taking the tire off, he brought it back to town to be repaired and when he returned to the truck, it was empty and the hay nowhere in sight. He was exceedingly wrought up about it and was willing to give a reward greater than the value of the hay, just to apprehend a thief as bold as all that. And a little later he learned that one of the employees had heard that the truck was broken down and had come out, loaded the hay on his wagon and had taken it on down to the farm and stored it in the barn.

Valentines by telegraph, with forms of appropriate greetings, both in verse and in prose all ready for you to make your selection. I have a horror of such greetings. Just suppose that you and your dearest rival happened to select the same lovely little message? Somehow, no matter how decorative the telegram blank, it hardly seems to me that it could properly express true sentiment. It is too commercial, the telegram. I'll take the old-fashioned pink, scented envelope for mine and I haven't any grievance against the telegraph company either.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The rumors that the Skeston Grocery was going out of business and had been taken over by another firm is unfounded. We are, and expect to be, in business at the same old stand and with the same low prices as in the past.

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SPEAKS ON TRUCK FARMING PROSPECTS

The prospects of the Skeston District as a truck farming center were touched upon by Ashleigh P. Boles, Horticultural Agent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, in a talk made to members of the Lions Club at their Thursday luncheon.

Mr. Boles dwelt upon the importance of going over the ground thoroughly first and making a careful study of the conditions and crop requirements before investing labor and capital. "When we speak of truck farming," he said, "we do not mean to do away with the existing farming system and devote our entire attention to the production of one crop, such as cabbage. Or we do not mean that the farmer should put his entire acreage into truck crops. What we do mean is that he should supplement his present crop system by putting in a small acreage of perishable truck products, thus insuring an additional cash income". He emphasized the fact that the business men of the town should assist the farmer in furnishing him the facts upon which he could plan his farming products. Careful study should be made of all truck products and the facts relating to their production made available for direction. The Skeston district, he pointed out, is admirably adapted to truck farming and with the coming of the bridges at Cairo and Cape Girardeau will have new markets made accessible for truck products.

Christian Church

On account of the pastor's illness last Sunday, the sermons announced for that day will be given Sunday.

10:45—Morning Worship. Subject: "The Body and the Blood".

4:30—Vesper Service.

Subject: "Concerted Worship."

All are invited.

E. B. HENSLEY, Pastor.

The increase in attendance at the Roll Call in the preaching services of the Christian church Sunday was reassuring. An even better increase is anticipated when the roll is called Sunday. Make it unanimous.

Rev. R. M. Talbert, of Cape Girardeau, Superintendent of Christian Missions in Southeast Missouri, preached two very splendid sermons in the Christian church last Sunday. His morning sermon was from the text: "This is not the work of a day or two". He showed in a fine way that the work of Christianity in this world is not a hasty development, but requires long periods of time. Saying, "Neither is this the work of a man or two", he showed the universal conceptions of Christianity and then applied these thoughts to the local church as a co-operative enterprise working through years in service.

At the Vesper Service, his sermon on "Not Light but Sight", indicated that it is not that we need more light, but more ability to see the abundant light that is now shining. This is true of spiritual light and sight as with the physical.

There were 68 young people in the Christian Endeavor Service Sunday night. The contest in progress for several weeks closed with the captains holding points as follows: Clyde Nicholas, 134 points and Miss Gladys Swinny, 127 points. The contest was close throughout. Clyde was awarded a five dollar gold piece, and Miss Swinny surprised with a New Testament. The losers are entering with a Valentine Banquet in the basement of the church Thursday evening.

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WINS FIRST LEGION FIDAC SCHOLARSHIP

A year's study in Poland is the prize that has been won by George R. Saxon, graduate of Howard college, Birmingham, Ala., and assistant boys' secretary of the Birmingham Y. M. C. A., as the crowning achievement of a long struggle for an education against heavy handicaps. Saxon has been chosen as the first American student to be sent abroad in an exchange of scholarships arranged by the American Legion through Fidac, the international organization of veterans' associations of the allied countries.

Saxon will attend the University of Warsaw, while John J. Tichey, a Polish student, will come to this country in exchange and will attend Columbia university. Funds for the two scholarships are being provided by the Kosciuszko foundation of New York, which was organized to honor Col. Thaddeus Kosciuszko, Polish patriot who served in the American Revolutionary army. Among the organizers of the foundation are a group of prominent Americans including Willis



George R. Saxon. John J. Tichey.

H. Booth, Samuel M. Vaulain, Col. Cedric E. Fauntleroy, Prof. Robert H. Lord, President Henry Noble MacCracken, Prof. Stephen P. Mizwa and Prof. Paul Monroe.

The record of Saxon's fight for an education is an inspiring story.

"I never remember having seen my father, who died when I was six months old," he said, telling of his life. "At sixteen I was only in the fifth grade of school. We lived in a rural district and I could attend school on the average of only 12 weeks each year. I realized that I could never get very far in the preparation for life at that rate, so, with the consent of my mother I went to a nearby village where there was a good grammar school.

"After I had finished grammar school I went to Albertville, Ala., where I operated a telephone exchange at night and went to school in the day time. I finished two years' work there and was beginning my third when I stopped to enter the army for the World war, which kept me out of school two years. I saved my money while in the service with the hope that some day I might not only finish high school but might go on to college.

"When I returned I finished high school and was awarded a scholarship by a newspaper which paid my expenses through Howard college.

"While in college I sold books in Kentucky and West Virginia one summer and the others I worked for the Central Young Men's Christian association of Birmingham. After my graduation in the spring of 1925 I became a member of the staff there."

Saxon served in the One Hundred and Seventh field artillery, Thirty-first division, and saw service in France. In college he had high scholastic standing and an unusual record of leadership in athletics and student affairs. He plans to continue his Y. M. C. A. work when he returns from Poland.

N. Carolina Auxiliary Spends \$20,000 in Year

The American Legion Auxiliary of North Carolina, aided by the Legion Auxiliaries of other states, collected and spent more than \$20,000 during the last year for the welfare of disabled World war veterans being treated at the United States Veterans' Bureau hospital at Oteen, N. C., according to a report to the North Carolina Auxiliary convention. The Auxiliary of Pennsylvania contributed \$4,000 to the fund.

Depict Woman's Sacrifice

Some of the finest mural paintings of a World war subject ever painted will be placed on the walls of the state capitol building at Oklahoma City, Okla., by the American Legion, department of Oklahoma, Department Adjutant Harold Janeway announced recently. The subject of the panels will be woman's sacrifice of her sons for the nation.

Honor Heroes

As an encouragement to men in the public service, New Rochelle post of the American Legion of New Rochelle, N. Y., recently gave two medals to be awarded to the policeman and fireman of the city who performs the most conspicuous act over and above the line of duty during the year.

DAIRY TALK

SAVING MADE BY BALANCED RATION

Balancing up the ration which he was feeding to his cows made a difference of \$46.46 a month to one Moultrie county, Illinois, dairyman whose case is cited by dairymen at the college of agriculture, University of Illinois, as evidence that it pays to make sure that dairy cows are getting the right kinds and amounts of feeds. When this dairyman entered his eight Jersey cows in the County Dairy Herd Improvement association he was feeding every cow equal parts of a ration consisting of two parts ground corn and one part ground oats supplemented with alfalfa hay and corn silage. The production for the first month the cows were in the association was 2,494 pounds of milk containing 113 pounds of butterfat worth \$50.42. The feed which the cows ate was worth \$65.96, which meant a loss of \$15.54 without considering any expense other than feed.

Upon the advice of P. J. Smith, tester in the County Herd Improvement association, this member added one-half part of soy bean meal to the ration he had been feeding and cut down the amount of grain and silage to a little more than one-half what it had been. The next month the feed bill on his cows was \$43.16, a saving of \$22.80 compared to the previous month. Furthermore, on the balanced ration, the same eight cows increased their production to 3,597 pounds of milk containing 171 pounds of butterfat worth \$7.08 or \$23.96 more than the previous month. This increased value of the butterfat and the \$22.80 saving in feed costs made a total improvement of \$46.46.

Another member of the same association fed his cows \$22.84 worth of clover hay, corn, oats, bran and oil meal during one month and got only 918 pounds of milk containing 46.8 pounds of butterfat worth \$19.14 in return, a loss of \$3.70. The following month a new cow was added to the herd and each cow was fed according to her production. The feed cost was increased only 86 cents to a total of \$23.70, while the production of the three cows was 1,844 pounds of milk containing 94.4 pounds of butterfat worth \$40.47, or a profit of \$16.77. The total improvement of \$20.47, which came as a result of changing a loss of \$3.70 into a profit of \$16.77, was accomplished by feeding the surplus feed which the two cows had been receiving to a third cow.

Money Is Well Spent in Feeds for the Dry Cows

Time was when the dry cow did not get any grain feed, or at best only a small percentage of her usual amount. But that time is past and practical dairymen agree that money spent on feed for the dry cow is money well invested.

Veterinary people say that the blood passing from the heart to the udder carries the food elements which go to make milk. They also tell us that when the cow becomes dry this blood stream turns to the foetus and this same food supply goes to build up and nourish the body of the unborn calf. During the last three months before freshening, about 65 per cent of the development of the calf takes place. What then will be the result if the feed of the dry cow is materially reduced? It means that in order for a cow to freshen in good condition, maintain her original weight and go through her lactation period doing her best, she must be fed enough to put on 75 to 100 pounds of flesh. If an amount of feed for this purpose is not fed, the cow will take flesh from her own back for the nourishment of the foetus and will be thin and in poor condition at time of freshening.

Dairy Notes

Calves should have salt as soon as they begin to eat hay and grain.

Feed left in the trough spoils the cow's appetite for the next meal.

A cost sheet is a necessity in any business. Your milk sheet is your cost sheet.

The cow producing five gallons of milk daily cannot maintain her production long without some concentrated feed.

Nearly all feeds are selling at 50 per cent of their former value and liberal feeding makes dairying a good business.

Unclean surroundings are detrimental to the milk flow, for milk absorbs flavors and odors readily.

Silage fed to cows an hour before milking leaves an odor in the milk. Better feed it after milking, experienced dairymen agree.

It pays to use pure-bred dairy sires. South Dakota State college has found that their use on scrub or grade cows increases production in the first cross about 67 per cent.

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REGS POTASHNICK WEDS FORMER TEACHER

Reginald Potashnick, son of Mr. and Sam Potashnick, and Miss Uline Fenwick, daughter of Judge and Mrs. J. F. Fenwick of Perryville, were married Thursday evening at 6:30 at the First Presbyterian Church of St. Louis by the Rev. Fowle. Attending the bride, was her sister, Miss Clotilda Fenwick; Charles L. Blanton, Jr., acting as best man. Mr. Potashnick was accompanied to the city by C. L. Blanton, Jr., J. Ernest Harpene, Byron Bowman and Clay Stubbs.

Following the wedding ceremony, the bride and groom left for Chicago on their wedding trip. They will be at home in Sikeston about February 20th.

Miss Fenwick is a talented and attractive young lady and is well known here in Sikeston, where for three years, she was a member of the faculty of the high school. She later taught for a year in the St. Louis schools. She is a graduate of Christian College, Columbia.

Reginald Potashnick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Potashnick, attended school at Western Military Academy, Alton, Ill., and is at present engaged in handling a number of contracts for the E. E. Hudson Co.

BIG ADVANTAGES OF FALL CALVES

There are a number of advantages in having dairy calves dropped in the fall. Cows which freshen in the fall usually produce more milk than cows which freshen at other seasons of the year. Heifers are usually bred so that they will come in milk at two years of age. If they are fall calves they will mature at the proper season. Calves which are to be raised on skim milk can be kept growing nicely during the winter and turned out on pasture without checking their growth. The disadvantages of feeding and care in winter are more than offset by the annoyance from flies and hot weather which are experienced by the spring calves. In addition there is usually more time available for giving the calves proper attention in the winter.

Clean pails for feeding and clean barns for housing are two important essentials in raising the calves. The calves will need to have a stall or lot where they can get plenty of sunshine. If the calves are confined to a dirty, dark stall they are apt to become unhealthy.

Calves should have their mothers' milk when they are started on feed. Whole milk should be continued for the first month and gradually shifted to skim milk. The calves should be given grain as soon as they will eat it. If a little cracked corn is placed in the bottom of the milk pails the calves will soon acquire a taste for it. The amount of milk and grain should always be limited. Better results are obtained if the calves are kept hungry.

An abundance of clean water should be accessible at all times or available at frequent intervals. Good hay should be provided. Many people favor mixed hay for calves as it is less apt to cause scours than alfalfa hay. However, good results can be had in feeding alfalfa hay if it is fed in limited quantities so that the calves will not gorge themselves. If any scours appear, the hay should be changed and special attention paid to cleanliness of both the stalls and milk pails. Sanitation, feeding and housing are the important details in raising fall calves successfully.

Dairymen Gains Much by Better Feeding Methods

That ground corn and ground oats make a dairy cow ration that is far superior to broken ear corn has been strikingly demonstrated in the case of one Knox county (Ill.) dairy herd, says C. S. Rhode, dairy extension specialist of the college of agriculture, University of Illinois, who has charge of the county dairy herd improvement associations in the state. The owner of this Knox county herd increased his profits \$27.74 during one month by changing from a feed of broken ear corn to one of ground corn and ground oats, Fred Shipley, tester in the county herd improvement association, reported. With the change in the ration came an increase in the average production of each cow for the month of 100 pounds of milk and 6.7 pounds of butterfat.

The ration was improved both by grinding the corn and by adding the ground oats, Rhode explained. The benefits of grinding in this case are in line with the results of experimental work and the experiences of practical dairymen, according to Rhode. Dairy cows are hard-working animals and they will give better results if such feeds as corn, oats and barley are given to them in the ground form, he added.

The adulteration of wine was punishable by death in Germany in 1752.

Pigeons in search of gravel are damaging the masonry of some of London's public buildings.

Gentlemen are reminded that they are not allowed to dine in this hall wearing what are vulgarly known as plus-fours and Oxford bags.—Notice posted at Oxford University.

ORCHARD GLEANINGS

EARLY OVERHAUL HELPS SPRAYING

Defective spray machines cause big losses of time and materials to growers each year. Low pressure, due to worn pumps or to faulty operation of engines, and delays while repairs are being made, can be largely avoided by thoroughly overhauling the sprayer during the winter months, suggests A. Freeman Mason, extension specialist in fruit growing, New Jersey College of Agriculture. The grower or an experienced mechanic should make a careful examination of the machine and repair or replace all worn parts, and give the rig a general cleaning and overhauling.

The engine valves should be ground, new piston rings installed if compression is weak, bearings adjusted, batteries, coils, spark-plugs, and wires tested, and dirt and grease removed with gasoline or kerosene.

The pump generally will need most attention. Place new packing in the boxes, replace plunger washers on the pistons, or replace pistons if the old ones are worn or scored. Valve seats should be turned over or replaced. If balls are worn down or scored they should be removed. Clean and grease all moving parts on the pressure regulator, placing new packing in the stuffing box at the top of the stem and a new rubber diaphragm at the base if this type of regulator is used. Bearings on the pump and agitator should be examined and replaced or tightened as needed, new packing placed in the boxes, and any broken paddles replaced.

All hoses should be tested at a somewhat higher pressure than is to be used in the field. A new brass or copper strainer should go on the suction hose and on the strainer box in the filling vent. Examine hose connections and repair leaky ones; clean guns and nozzles; and install new disks. Paint the entire sprayer with a high grade paint.

An ample supply of repair parts should be on hand for use in case of emergencies. Most needed of these are valve seats, packing, plunger washers, new pump pistons, hose connection clamps and bolts, spark-plugs and coils. With these precautions taken, the grower may face the spraying season with but little apprehension.

Protecting Fruit Trees From Injury in Winter

That mice injury to fruit trees occurs nearly every winter, says J. H. Gourley, horticulturist at the Ohio experiment station, is indicated by the annual call for information on bridge grafting of girdled trees.

Protecting the trees and destroying the rodents are recommended as much cheaper than repairing damage or possibly losing trees.

The first means of protection is to clear up litter about the base of trees. Long, uncut grass, or the piling of fodder, straw, hay, or other material against the tree, provides an ideal harbor for mice and other rodents. A clear area should be maintained around the tree trunk.

A mechanical barrier or protection for young trees is an excellent precaution, particularly in sod orchards. Paper tied about the tree trunk is usually effective, but must be removed in the spring.

Hardware cloth makes a more or less permanent protection until the trees are of a size to be reasonably free from attack, although old trees are sometimes girdled.

Thoroughly Remove Dead or Injured Peach Twigs

Some of the smaller fruiting twigs of the peach naturally die as the tree develops and fruits. Those near the base of the tree begin to die first, followed later by others higher up through the top of the tree. At times, weather, spray, brown rot, mechanical injuries and other factors, greatly add to the normal number. All such twigs should be thoroughly pruned off during each dormant season. Even though there may be some question as to whether they reduce the vigor and vitality of the tree to any measurable extent, they most certainly interfere with the operations of spraying, thinning, and harvesting and are the direct cause of many scratches and blemishes upon the fruit, particularly where the orchard is in an exposed location. In addition, they attract orchard pests, such as bark beetles.

Fruiting twigs and branches that may not be dead but are seriously girdled or weakened by spray burning so that they cannot produce large fruits, should be pruned off or cut back to stimulate growth.

Mulching Plum Trees

Mulching the plum trees after the ground is thoroughly frozen may save the plum crop from freezes late in the spring, says A. L. Ford, extension specialist in horticulture at South Dakota State college. Ordinarily plum blossom too early in South Dakota. A mulch in the fall will keep them dormant for a longer period in the spring and may retard the bloom until after the critical frost period. This mulch should be applied around the base of the tree.

REGULAR BASKETBALL SEASON CLOSURES FOR SIKESTON FRIDAY

The regularly scheduled basketball season will be brought to a close, on Friday night, when the Bulldogs and Bulletes go to Poplar Bluff to play the Poplar Bluff Mules and Zippers.

These will not be the last games of the season for the local teams, however, as the boys are entered in an invitational tournament to be played at Caruthersville, February 15 and in the Sikeston invitational tournament February 22. They are also entered in the Scott County Tournament at Benton, March 4 and 5 and will probably go to the Cape District Tournament, March 11 and 12.

The girls have the Scott County Tournament, March 4 and 5 to look forward to and the Southeast Missouri Tournament at Sikeston March 1 and 12. This latter will be the feature event of the local season, the 16 best teams in this section being invited to compete.

Mrs. Naomi Morgan, of St. Louis, field representative of Union Missionary Association Homes, was a Sikeston visitor Monday and Tuesday, soliciting financial support for that cause. She is a Baptist preacher by profession having graduated from William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo., and regularly ordained.

COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS SOON

The annual Scott County Basketball Tournaments for boys and girls will be held at the Community Hall in Benton, March 3, 4 and 5, it was decided at a meeting of the Scott County High School Association at Benton, Saturday morning.

The tournament will get under way Thursday night and will continue until Saturday night, when the finals of boys' and girls' tournament will be played. Louie Meyer of Campbell and Paul Haman of Benton were selected as the officials and they will make all star team selections. The tournament drawing was made Saturday morning, resulting in the following schedule:

Thursday Night
7:00—Boys: Chaffee plays Blodgett.
8:00—Girls: Blodgett plays Oran.
9:00—Boys: Diehlstadt plays Benton.

Friday Morning
8:00—Boys: Morley plays Illmo.
9:00—Girls: Morley plays winner of Illmo-Chaffee game.

10:00—Boys: Sikeston plays winner of Chaffee-Blodgett game.
11:00—Girls: Sikeston plays Diehlstadt.

Friday Afternoon

1:30—Boys: Losers Morley-Illmo play losers of Sikeston-Chaffee or Blodgett.

2:30—Boys: Winners Diehlstadt-Benton play Vanduser.

3:30—Girls: Vanduser plays Benton.

4:30—Boys: Fornfelt plays Oran.

Saturday morning: 3 games.
Saturday afternoon: 2 games.

Saturday night: 3 games, including the boys' and girls' championship games.

In the event of a girls' tie game, an extra 3-minute period will be played.

KEASLER-MARTIN

Miss Addis Martin of Morehouse and Jim Keasler of Sikeston were married December 11, in Marion, Illinois, friends learned today. Miss Martin is teaching in the Morehouse Public Schools and expects to finish out the school term. Mr. Keasler is employed by the American Railroad Express Company. The young couple expect to make their home in Sikeston for the present.

An American newspaperman in Moscow was assessed a duty of \$11 a tube on tooth paste. He contributed the past to the Russian Government and now cleans his teeth with ashes. The Standard \$1.50, per year.

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C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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Nobody likes to pay taxes, but without taxes we couldn't have the public improvements. We are told that no household goods in Sikeston in any home are assessed for more than \$250. This is one of the reasons the City of Sikeston ran \$6000 in the hole in 1926. Not the smallest home in the city but what has more than \$250 invested in household goods. To be sure, sold at auction or to the second-hand man, they would bring little, but if all personal assessments were doubled, they would not be out of line and might give us the needed revenue. This will be an unpopular paragraph, but is cold facts.

The report of the Police Judge shows that Sikeston must be an exceptionally law-abiding city as but ten fines were assessed during the month of January and the cash placed in the city treasury amounted to \$58. To get all this money there was paid out to officers \$325 during the month. This looks like one day officer and one night officer should be sufficient. The matter of a few recent hold-ups here in the city mean nothing as they were committed when no officer was around, and no officer knew who did the jobs, hence they couldn't arrest anyone.

George White's Scandals, who exhibited their bodies at Cairo, have torn their shirts with the lovers of the nude art, by not coming clean at their Sunday evening performance, but appearing in cheap tights. However, one eye full of their forms would attract little more attention thereafter, than so many of Jim Klein's fat heifers should they parade down the street. It's all in one's mind!

The Standard believes the ten-foot strip ceded by the Missouri Pacific to Sikeston can be paved by popular subscription. Mr. Simpson of the Texaco Oil Station, states that he will give the first hundred dollars. This should be placed before the Board of Aldermen at its next meeting so a committee can be appointed to raise the money, and do it now.

Considerable talk was indulged in at the City Hall, Monday evening, among those assembled and waiting for the Board to convene, of attempting to make the vagrant law stick with some of the gentlemen of leisure who have no outward means of support, but dress well and toil not.

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A WORD FOR THE PARSON

Picking on the parson is one of the favorite indoor sports in many American homes, and not infrequently the preacher is a convenient object of criticism for a Monday morning editorial. He is condemned if he does and condemned if he doesn't. Now a newspaper takes up valuable editorial space to speak a good word for the parson, and The Reformer Church Messenger appreciatively reprints it. Says the Baltimore Evening Sun: "In this day of spiritual searching the parson has come in for no little criticism. Perhaps he deserves it, but, on the other hand, it is about time to receive a word of sympathy. His task is difficult, for no matter which way he turns he meets with objections from some part of his flock.

"If the parson takes a narrow view of religion, he is accused of bigotry; if he takes a broad view, he is suspected of heresy. If he asks for money, he is charged with worldliness; if he doesn't ask for it, his church falls to pieces. If he pays calls on his congregation, he risks the reputation of being a bore; if he doesn't pay calls, he is charged with indifference. If he indorses movies, oyster suppers and bowling alleys in the basement, the conservatives protest; if he sticks to services only, the boosters howl. If he introduces innovations in his sermon, he is called sensational; if he confines himself to the beatitudes, he is condemned for his platitudes. If he specializes on the Sunday school, the choir reents it; if he specializes on the choir, the Sunday school blows up.

"In the old days the parson had a ready weapon. He alone could offer the benediction and the absolution. Nowadays very few in the congregation know what either means. Most of them imagine their sins are washed away by the simple process of dropping a quarter in the collection plate. Like the schoolmaster's birch, the parson's big stick has been supplanted by psychology, and no psychology yet discovered has the power to cure sin. Mrs. W. H. Dickerson, 62 years old, was found dead in bed Friday morning. She had made preparations to visit her granddaughter at Blodgett, who is very ill with tuberculosis. At 3:20 a. m. she awakened her husband, asking the time and declaring it "seemed time to get up", so eager was she to go. Not until he attempted to reawaken her at 5 a. m. was her death discovered.

Just a couple of suggestions how a little more revenue could be gathered into the City treasury. Raise the poll tax, now \$2, to \$4 as in the country, and collect it. If a man does not show his receipt, prevent him voting. Last year but \$1,098 dollars was collected on poll taxes, when it should have been three times that much. The City ordinance call for auto license to be half that paid the State. The State license on a Ford car is \$10.50 and the city license, \$3; a loss of \$2.25 on each license. On larger and higher priced cars, the license is much higher. A lot of small things will total a large sum if collected. Since the women have been given the right of franchise, there is no reason in the world why they should not pay poll tax and have her receipt before allowed to vote and stand on the same equality of a man.

Our Mr. Washburn at Jefferson City voted for the Anti-Evolution Bill and is to be congratulated on his stand. We don't know whether he knew what it was all about or whether he was afraid he would be put in a cage at the State Capitol with other exhibits in case it went the other way. Anyway, we are with him on this broad-minded vote.

NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Agricultural leaders from the cotton producing counties of Southeast Missouri will meet here Wednesday, February 16, for an all-day conference to consider the business side of farming in this section of the state. Invitations have been extended to the officials of leading farm organizations, business organizations, country bankers and others interested in the farm problem, according to Scott M. Julian, County Extension Agent of this county, who is in charge of the general arrangements for the conference.

Those taking part in the conference from the College of Agriculture and associated agencies will be F. L. Thomson, Assistant Professor of Agriculture Economics; H. C. Hensley, Extension Specialist in Marketing; Frederick Dunlap, Extension Forester, and E. A. Logan, Agricultural Statistician, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The entire Agricultural Outlook will be discussed as follows:

Purpose and scope of the Agricultural Outlook.
The General Agricultural Situation Domestic Demand, Foreign Demand, Agricultural Credit, Farm Labor and Equipment.
Beef Cattle and Sheep Outlook.
Dairy Outlook.
Poultry and Egg Outlook.
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Cotton, Watermelon and Cantaloupe Outlook.
Irish and Sweet Potato Outlook.
Forestry Outlook.
Horse and Mule Outlook.

Sweet Clover Pasture Feeds Cattle, Sheep and Hogs

Wonderful livestock pasturage can be secured from sweet clover in Southeast Missouri, according to the following report made by John A. Montgomery and son of Dexter.

"We pastured this six acre field all fall with ten gilts and eight lambs and part of the time had eight cows on the pasture also", he said, "and a pasture that carries three to four head per acre the first fall is quite a feed producer. Mr. Montgomery added: "We had no trouble in teaching our cattle, sheep and hogs to eat the new legume. The cows are especially fond of it. They eat it so greedily that we were soon forced to take them off of it in order to permit the clover to make a little growth.

This sweet clover pasture demonstration on their Walnut Lane Farm was put in a year ago under the direction of Ide P. Trotter, Soils and Crops Specialist of the Missouri College of Agriculture. The spring being rather hot and dry, Mr. Montgomery reported, "we only have about sixty per cent of a stand", but his results were fine nevertheless. He stated, "We are mighty well pleased with our field". And he proved it by reporting additional seedings of sweet clover.

In discussing this report, Trotter stated that sweet clover could be grown successfully in many parts of Southeast Missouri. It will not succeed where the soil is sour, however, and so failure will follow many spring seedings where grown in sour land. A conference with the local county extension agent is suggested as the quickest and most satisfactory way to get reliable advice on the value and place of this important pasture crop.

Eggs preserved by a new process for a period of fourteen weeks produced chickens that were strong and healthy.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

The Christian Ladies' Aid served lunch Saturday at the sale of Mr. Johnson, living near Morehouse. The ladies realized a very neat sum from the lunch sale.

The following surprised Mrs. J. R. King with a dinner Thursday, each one taking a well filled basket for the occasion: Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley and sons, Mrs. L. F. Swartz and children.

Mrs. Frank Ratcliff was called to Evansville, Ind., Saturday on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Hattie Evans.

Mrs. Ben Sells is still in Portageville nursing Miss Mollie Bloomfield. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jones attended the sale here, Friday.

Mrs. George Cooley left Saturday for Detroit, Mich., to join her husband, who is employed at that place.

Mrs. Frank Parsons was called to Indianapolis, Ind., Saturday. Mrs. Parsons received a telegram stating that her aunt was dangerous ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams and children, and L. O. Harper were Charleston visitors, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alsop motored to New Madrid and Lilbourn Saturday on business.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones, a baby boy.

Constable W. H. Deane arrested a negro Saturday for stealing corn from B. F. Swartz. The negro could not give bond, so was taken to New Madrid and put in jail to await his preliminary hearing held here Tuesday before Justice of Peace, Ben Sells. William Deane and Alfred Byrd accompanied Mr. Deane to New Madrid.

The New Madrid basketball teams played here Friday evening. The score of the boys' game was 34-4 in favor of Matthews. The girls' score 12-4 in favor of Matthews. Warren Kingsbury of Sikeston refereed for the games.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart and little daughter spent the week-end in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons were Cape Girardeau visitors, Wednesday of last week.

Rev. Cannady filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele, Frank Sibley and L. F. Swartz shopped in Sikeston, Saturday.

11-CENT COTTON, 40-CENT MEAT

Eleven-cent cotton and forty-one cent meat, How in the world can a poor man eat? Flour up high, cotton down low, How in the world can we raise the dough?

Our clothes worn out, shoes run down Old slouch hat with a hole in the crown;

Back nearly broken, fingers all sore, Cotton going down to rise no more. Eleven-cent cotton and ten-dollar pants,

Who in the devil has got a chance? We can't buy clothes, we can't buy meat,

Got too much cotton and not enough to eat. Losing our credit and ruining our health;

Can't help each other, what shall we do? I can't solve the problem, so it's up to you,

Eleven-cent cotton and a carload of tax, The load's too heavy for our poor backs;

We've a good set of farmers, we all know well, But there's something wrong as sure as—

We all worked hard, we all groaned and sweat, Now we are all ruined and a blowed up set,

No use talking, any man's beat, With eleven-cent cotton and forty-cent meat.—Virginia Brown, in Shreveport, La., Times.

Our Mr. Bailey failed to vote for the Public Building Bill as passed in the House last week that gives Sikeston a small public building, though it passed by more than a two-thirds majority. No reason is given. The rural districts seldom ever see where a penny of their taxes go, unless some pork barrel legislation is passed, and then they can "point with pride" that Uncle Sam recognizes their importance with a postoffice building.

Citizens in Gloucester Township, Quebec, who do not pay their taxes are not permitted to vote.

When Robert Lockhart of Dunfermline, Scotland, tried to play golf in Central Park, New York, in 1888, he was arrested.

VETERANS' LOAN BILL IS PASSED IN HOUSE

Washington, February 7.—Less than a half hour after it was called up, the House today passed the Green bill to enable world war veterans to obtain loans direct from the Veterans' Bureau on adjusted service certificates. The measure was sent to the Senate without a record vote. It would authorize the bureau to make loans at 6 per cent at its various offices and hospitals. To finance the loans an appropriation of \$25,000,000 would be authorized from the government life insurance fund, this to be repaid upon maturity of the loans.

Representative Schafer (Rep.) Wisconsin, objected to consideration under rules prohibiting the offering of amendments, while Representative Linthicum of Maryland, ranking Democrat of Mississippi, and Blanton (Dem.) of Texas declared a lower interest rate should be charged. They contended the veterans should not be forced to pay a higher rate than the government charges foreign nations on world war debts.

The loafing habit among young men should be discouraged as much as possible for the bad example it sets for boys. Those who are financially able to loaf seldom ever are caught idle. It is those who should be following some honorable calling, but are living by some unknown method, that is so demoralizing to the youth. The crap shooter, the bootlegger, and his ilk, should do some work at least, to hide his real calling.

ANNOUNCEMENT
We are authorized to announce Jno. H. Goodin as a candidate for re-election to the office of Superintendent of Schools for Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

Notice of Final Settlement
Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Ben J. Welter of the estate of John Welter, Sr., deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be holden at Benton in said county, on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1927.

BEN J. WELTER, Administrator.

Announcement Notice

C. B. Watson and Frank G. Zillmer hereby notify the public that C. B. Watson has purchased the interest of Frank G. Zillmer in the Watson-Zillmer stores, located at Sikeston and Morehouse, Mo., assuming all the partnership debts of all businesses, and Mr. Watson announces that hereafter the businesses will be conducted under the name of Watson Stores Co.

They wish to thank all for their past patronage and Mr. Watson solicits the continuance of their trade and the trade of all those who appreciate courteous treatment, the use of first class goods and the saving of money.

Dated January 25, 1927.
C. B. WATSON
FRANK G. ZILLMER

Notice of Administration

Notice Is Hereby Given, That Letters of Administration on the estate of Katherine S. Duncan, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 24th day of January, 1927, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

S. P. BRITE,
Administrator.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County.

(SEAL)
THOS. B. DUDLEY,
Probate Judge.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by William H. Tanner, and his wife, Rivers Tanner, dated February Twenty-four, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Four, and recorded on the Twenty-Sixth Day of February, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Four in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 45, at Page number 79, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lot number Eleven (11) in Block number Fifty-seven (57) in McCoy and Tanner's Ninth Addition to the City of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof and all improvements thereon. Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH, 1927 between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. of said day sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the Front Door of the Post Office in the Town or City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING, Trustee.
First Publication 2-4-27

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11
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JOHN GILBERT in

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With RENEE ADOREE, LIONEL BARRYMORE

His was the code of the underworld, "Take what you want". Her's was the code of love. The conflict between them makes drama that will stir you tremendously. A side-show romance hailed as the year's sensation!

Also "BILL GRIMM'S PROGRESS" No. 5 and PATHE REVIEW
Admission 10c and 35c

SATURDAY
Matinee and Evening

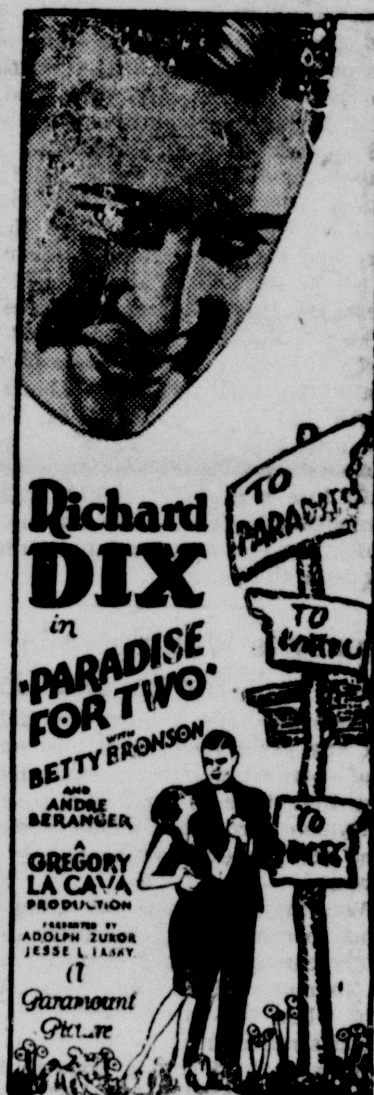


The King of the Great Outdoors! He's back again in the fastest and most sensational outdoor picture in his career. See him lead the band of cattle-men against the invading sheepmen in a thrilling climax, preceded by daring horsemanship and strenuous fights. A throbbing Western melodrama packed with thrills and extraordinary surprises.

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TUESDAY



Dix opens wide the gates of laughter in his latest tickling love tangle. If you own a pair of eyes and a funny bone, come and give them both a treat at "Paradise For Two!"

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Comedy



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GLENN TRYON
"THE HAUNTED HONEYMOON"
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Admission 10c and 35c

COMING—Raymond Griffith in "YOU'D BE SURPRISED", Betty Bronson in "THE CAT'S PAJAMAS", Bebe Daniels in "STRANDED IN PARIS", Blanche Sweet in "DIPLOMACY"



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All work executed with neatness and dispatch. Writes mortgages, deeds, deeds of trust, contracts, etc.
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If you have need for a shovel, let us suggest that you try a Farmers shovel. It bears our strongest recommendation of satisfactory service, backed by the manufacturer's quality guarantee.

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NEWS LETTER FROM GENERAL ASSEMBLY

By J. S. Hubbard, Executive Sec. Mo. Press Association

Jefferson City, February 5.—With the session almost half gone the General Assembly is making creditable progress as compared with the session two years ago. During the past week five appropriation bills were passed by the House and are now in the hands of the Senate Committee. Other appropriation bills are being acted on as rapidly as possible and some are on the calendar for disposal the coming week.

The bills passed provide for the payment of interest on state school and Seminary funds; payment of soldier bonus bonds falling due and interest thereon; principal and interest on state road bonds; providing that one-third of the state revenue shall be paid into the state public school fund, and providing funds to pay for assessing and collecting revenue.

Much interest is being taken in the proposed bond issue of one hundred and twenty million dollars additional for speeding up road construction. The plan is to use \$60,000,000 to complete the present program and a like amount to be distributed to the counties and the city of St. Louis, no county to receive less than \$150,000. It is estimated that the system can be completed by 1933 with no additional tax.

Senator J. G. Morgan of the Unionville Republican, who was co-author of the Morgan-McCullough road law, takes a different view which he expressed in a speech broadcasted from WOS Friday night. He believes in the pay-as-you-go plan for future road work. He insists that there will be available from this time on at least fifteen million dollars annually for road construction above all overhead expenses. It is estimated that while this will put off the completion of the present system for a few years it will make possible continuous construction for many years, whereas the other plan would stop all road building in 1933, unless steps were taken to provide more funds in some other way, as the income from automobile licenses and gasoline taxes would all be used to pay off the bonds.

The proposal for a bond issue is in the form of a joint and concurrent resolution, submitting the question to the voters of the state, and many are urging that the question be submitted at a special election. The same resolution has been introduced in each House.

The proposal of Representative Whitecotton of Monroe county to pension farmers after they are 65 years of age has been favorably reported from the House Committee on Constitutional amendments. It is on the calendar for engrossment.

A crowded house is expected on Tuesday when the evolution bill is a special order for engrossment. Started apparently as a joke, though introduced seriously by its sponsors, the bill has attracted attention all over the state and promises much oratory for and against.

It is understood that the Senate is contemplating an investigation of the financial operations of every state department. The investigation is supposed to be aimed especially at Secretary of State Becker for the deposit of automobile funds in the Englewood bank and at State Auditor Thompson, who, as State Treasurer, placed funds in the Holland bank at Springfield. While all but \$270,000 of the latter funds have been recovered it is

claimed by Senator Cave and other leaders that the state will lose \$100,000, unless steps are taken to collect through the bondsmen of the then state treasurer.

A concurrent resolution was passed in the House yesterday calling for a special committee to investigate the conduct of the state penitentiary. It contemplates a committee of three from each House evenly divided politically, and it is empowered to employ expert auditors and to go into all details of the work of the institution. The sum of \$20,000 is provided for the work, to be paid for equally from the contingent funds of the House and Senate.

The Senate Criminal Code Committee has reported favorably on 25 measures urged by the Missouri Association for Criminal Justice. Among the proposition receiving favorable consideration were those providing home rule for the police departments of St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph; electrocution instead of hanging for first degree murder; reducing the membership of the state prison board from five to four; giving prosecuting attorneys the right to comment on the failure of a defendant to take the witness stand in his own defense, and several minor changes in the code.

The Governor's tax bill, providing for the taxation of tobacco and amusements has been made a special order for engrossment in the House on Thursday, February 10. It seems quite likely that the amusement tax feature will be eliminated in an effort to make the bill satisfactory to the majority. It is thought the measure may get through the House, but doubt is expressed as to its fate in the Senate.

The House has engrossed the bill providing for free and uniform text books in the schools of the state and creating a state text book commission of five members, including the state superintendent of schools.

A bill introduced by Representatives Wilson, Bamber and Heege of St. Louis county, creating three divisions of the circuit court in this county and adding one additional judge, was passed on Thursday in the House.

Representative Freeland's expense bill, giving the State Auditor more authority to pass on expenses of state employees, was passed by the House.

By the passage of a bill in the House, introduced by Representative Duensing, cities of the Fourth class would be authorized to vote for bonds for public parks.

The House passed the bill by Representative Roney, repealing the statute which provides that a will made by an unmarried woman is nullified as soon as she marries.

The bill by Representative Cross, providing a yearly salary for the court reporter in the Cape Girardeau court of common pleas was passed by the House.

The Senate Committee on Roads and Highways, has prepared a substitute for Senate Bill No. 26, which would place the motor busses operating in Missouri under the control of the public service commission, and has recommended it for passage. The principal changes provide for an increase in the license fees over the original bill. Under the substitute, busses hauling seven passengers or less would pay \$35; seven to twelve, \$57.50; 12 to 18, \$105; 18 to 24, \$135; 24 and up, \$172.50. It is fur-

PUBLIC SALE!

I will offer to the highest bidder at the Louie Hinkle farm 1 1-2 mile south of Slapout Schoolhouse, on Highway 60, on

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1927

10:00 A. M., the following:

2 Black Mules, 16 hands high, 10 years old
1 Mouse colored Mule, 16 hands high, 10 years old
1 Jersey Heifer
1 Holstein-Jersey with calf, fresh
1 Red Polled Cow, 4 yrs. old
3 three-yr. old Jersey cows
1 Black Jersey Heifer with calf
1 Jersey, will be fresh soon
1 Red Yearling Heifer
2 Brood Sows
12 Shoats
1 Fordson Tractor
Tractor Tools
1 Joliet Corn Sheller
1 International Hay Press
1 Sunflower Huller, No. 36

1 Drive Belt, 80 ft., good as new
1 Drive Belt, 36 ft. long
1 pr. 3, 4 and 5-horse Eveners
1 Lot of Singletrees and Repairs
1 Hay Fork complete
2 Wagons
3 Shovel Cultivators
1 John Deere 12 in. Gang Plow
1 Emerson 14 in. Horse Gang Plow
1 John Deere Corn Planter
1 Check Rower
1 Double Shovel
1 Ohio single row Cotton-Corn Planter
1 John Deere Cotton and Corn Planter
1 Side Delivery Hay Rake
1 Deering Corn Harvester
1 Lot Leather Horse Collar, and Harness
1 14 in Oliver Gang Plow
1 John Deere 12-in Gang Plow
1 14-16 Disk
Other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms to be Announced Day of Sale

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\$5.50

Via Main Line

\$5.85

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Ticket Agent, Frisco Lines
Sikeston, Mo.

ther provided that these fees are to remain in force until January, 1929, when they will be increased, to \$40, \$90, \$140, \$180, and \$230, respectively.

Favorable report has been made of the bill by Representative Page requiring the University, School of Mines and the State Teachers' Colleges to deposit all fees collected with the state treasurer. The aim is to give the auditing department a check on receipts and expenditures of these institutions which are not now required to turn in their fees.

The Appropriations committee has reported out favorably the bills providing funds for the Eleemosynary institutions. The amounts provided are as follows: Hospital No. 1, Fulton, \$77,400; No. 2, St. Joseph, \$123,900; No. 3, Nevada, \$96,000; No. 4, Farmington, \$78,200 Missouri

State School (old colony for feeble minded) Marshall, \$354,700; Missouri state sanatorium, Mt. Vernon, \$269,500. The only building allowance made is \$9600 for the erection of tuberculosis cottages at Marshall.

The Committee on Agriculture of which Representative Kirchner is chairman, has reported favorably on the egg-grading bill after a public hearing which was largely attended.

The chiropractic bill, regulating practitioners by the state, has been engrossed.

The Joint and Concurrent resolution, providing for teacher retirement fund in the larger cities, has been reported out for passage in the House.

Representative Ray has introduced a Joint and Concurrent resolution in the House submitting to the voters a

proposition which would allow the general assembly to fix by law the amount to be paid legislators and employees.

Representative Whitecotton's Joint and Concurrent resolution, cutting the representative districts to 68, has been reported out unfavorably by the House committee.

COOLIDGE IS TOLD OF GERMANY'S RECOVERY

Washington, February 7.—Germany has made one of the greatest financial recoveries in history, J. B. Sterrett, retiring American member of the Transfer Committee, under the Dawes plan, told President Coolidge today during a discussion of the economic situation in Germany and other European countries. He believes the nations of the world should demand Germany's final indemnity and

thus aid her in a better arrangement of her resources.

"Two years ago the finances of Germany were in a state of utter desolation", Sterrett said upon leaving the White House. "She went on a gold basis, started saving and this year she will be able to pay her indemnity of \$375,000,000, while raising an internal loan of \$125,000,000. Her progress has been beyond belief."

"The Dawes plan contemplates Germany shall pay a war debt of \$625,000,000 a year for all eternity, as long as man is on the face of the earth. That, of course, cannot be done."

"Accordingly, the nations of the world, in a spirit of peace and conciliation, should sit down soon and determine Germany's final indemnity. The state of mind has prevented that in the past. All these matters are 75 per cent state of mind in 25 per cent of economics, and that state of mind

has progressively improved. The Dawes agreement was a manifestation of it. The Locarno pact was another forward step. It is a wonderful solvent."

"Passage of the alien property bill would be helpful. Germany knows these problems are not settled overnight, but failure of the bill to pass was the cause of some disappointment there."

When a child dies in some parts of Greenland, the natives bury a live dog with it to guide the child in the other world, as it is claimed dogs can find their way anywhere.

A Philadelphia policeman asked that he be demoted when he learned that his promotion to a lieutenant would mean parting with his horse, Dick. He had ridden the horse for 9 years and he would rather remain a sergeant and keep the horse than have all the honors of the force.

Local and Personal

J. H. Goodin of Benton spent Monday in Sikeston.

Alvin Taylor spent the first of the week in St. Louis.

Russell Pinnell of New Madrid was a Sikeston visitor, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Comer were visitors in Dexter, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Arthur of Poplar Bluff were in Sikeston, Monday.

L. D. Marlow, treasurer-elect of New Madrid County, was in Sikeston, Monday.

Miss Evelyn Tenkhoff of Oran was the guest of Miss Vivian Jackson last week.

Mrs. J. Fred Bowman and son will go to Cape Girardeau Friday for a visit with relatives.

Miss Madge Davis will leave Friday to spend the week-end in Carbondale, Ill., with relatives.

Mrs. Wm. Masterson of Blodgett is visiting her son, Roy Masterson and other relatives in Sikeston.

Mrs. Lee Hummel and Mrs. Fred St. Mary of New Madrid motored to Sikeston, Monday afternoon.

James Matthews, Ralph Reed, Miss Francoise Black and Miss Lottie Dover drove to Poplar Bluff, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Johnson of Big Opening are the parents of a baby daughter, born February 2.

C. D. Matthews attended a meeting of the State Highway Commission at Jefferson City during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Darby and family and Miss Straudie Engram drove to Dexter Sunday for a visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beck were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Johnson, in Big Opening, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruby Jackson will move from their present home to the McClure house on North Ranney street next week.

Miss Nell Yanson, who is attending the State Normal at Cape Girardeau, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Yanson, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Rose and son are moving this week from their present location on Stoddard Street to the Keith property in the northeast portion of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tongate, Mrs. Chas. Scott, Mrs. Chas. Bowman and Mrs. Lon Swanner drove to Cape Girardeau, Saturday afternoon. They were accompanied home by Miss Beulah Swanner.

Five students from Martin, Ky., enrolled in the Telegraph Department of Chillicothe Business College last week, while more distant enrollments were two from the state of Louisiana and a sixth from Newhamburgh, N. Y.

WHY ADVERTISING PAYS

Of the business failures in thirty-two American cities last year 83.6 per cent were not newspaper advertisers, L. M. Barton, advertising manager of the Chicago Daily News, told members of the Advertising Club of Kansas City at a luncheon at the Hotel Baltimore.

Mr. Barton is the author of "A Study of Eight-one American Markets", a statistical survey which he compiled for all American cities having a population of more than 100,000. He now is engaged in the production of a second and more complete work which will supply statistical information concerning ninety-three market cities and the towns in their tributary territories. It is based upon researches covering more than three million wholesale and retail business enterprises.

"The background of newspaper advertising", he said today, "is public confidence. At the very outset your newspapers sell you the right to share in the confidence of their readers that they have built up by conscientious editorial effort. These readers respect their newspapers. They have a great degree of faith in anything that appears in the newspaper's columns. So, you see, all advertisers begin with everything in their favor. Their success depends upon how they regard this reader confidence that the newspaper turns over to them."

Mr. Barton branded as an abuse of advertising the practice of certain merchants in allowing favored customers to pick over articles for a sale before they are made available to the general public, which has been attracted to it by newspaper advertising.

In commenting upon the part played by newspaper advertising in the general economic problem of the country, Mr. Barton proved that advertising, by effecting a more rapid turnover in merchandise, made for lower prices.

"Advertising is the sure way of increasing sales and production without lowering quality", he explained. "It reduces selling costs. It shortens the time in which merchandise passes from the manufacturer or merchant to the consumer. It creates markets for merchandise that otherwise would not exist."

He highly commended the policies of large city newspapers in censoring advertising submitted to their columns. His axiom in this was "the more a newspaper respects its readers the more its readers respect it."

Mrs. Lucinda Bratton of Morehouse is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Scott.

C. W. Stevenson, a merchant of Lilbourn, transacted business in Sikeston, Monday.

C. E. Brenton returned Monday from Kansas City Monday, where he had been on business.

WHAT TO EXPECT OF A PREACHER'S SON

"Well, what more could you expect? He's a preacher's son". So said Mrs. Grundy and her numerous family when the minister's son has fallen by the wayside. It is an all too common, but, fortunately, gradually disappearing, belief that most sons of the manse or rectory are black sheep and that most of them end their days in jail. A glance through the pages of "Who's Who" may convince even the most obstinate of their error. Further disproof of the popular belief is offered by Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who in a recent address in Chicago before the Society of Ministers' Sons and Daughters took up the defense of minister's sons. Emphasis in a preacher's home is not placed on commercial success, he said, as he is quoted in the Chicago News; but he cited these sons of ministers as successful in the market place: Edward H. Harriman, Levi P. Morton, Cecil Rhodes, John F. Andrews, William C. Brown, John D. Archbold and Henry M. Flagler. Three of the six largest State universities, three of the six best-known women's colleges, two of the largest Presbyterian colleges, and the two greatest Baptist colleges, he said, are headed by preachers' children. Bishop Hughes gave also a long list of ministers' sons who have succeeded in art, literature, politics, statesmanship, in newspaper and magazine work, in poetry and in science and invention. Among the poets he cited Tennyson, Lowell, Holmes, Emerson, Lessing, Richard Watson Gilder and Henry Van Dyke. The first Atlantic cable, he notes, was laid by Cyrus W. Field, a preacher's son. The Wright brothers, the first to fly an airplane, came from a manse, as did Samuel F. B. Morse, who invented the telegraph. "No preacher's boy ever goes far into this life without doing something that displeases someone else", said Bishop Hughes. "Immediately comes the taunt: 'And you a preacher's son!' One felt like having his privileges enlarged so he could either use a vigorous vocabulary or do a little vigorous fighting."

Many papers are glad to contribute paragraphs to help discredit the belief that ministers' sons are a mischievous progeny. The St. Louis Globe-Democrat reminds us:

"Who's Who" supplies ample data with which the newly formed organization might explode the myth, not only as it applies to the sons of Methodist ministers, but to the sons of clergymen of other denominations. All persons sketched in the 1922-23 edition of this reference work of eminent men were asked to indicate the occupation of their fathers. It was found that no less than 2695, or 11 per cent, were preachers' sons. Still others mentioned that their fathers combined preaching with some other occupation. The census for the year 1870, the year nearest the birth of these notables, shows that clergymen comprised less than one-half of 1 per cent of all men. Upon this basis, it is calculated that clergymen fathered twenty-eight times the average number of notables, one Protestant minister in each fifteen having a child whose name later appeared in "Who's Who". In the same year business and professional men fathered seven and sixteen times, respectively, the average number of notables, or the number that might have been expected from their portion of the total population while farmers fathered less than their proportionate share, and unskilled laborers much less than farmers. Still more impressive is the statement that 'Protestant clergymen about 1870 contributed in proportion to their numbers about 2400 times as many eminent persons as did unskilled

Deservedly Popular

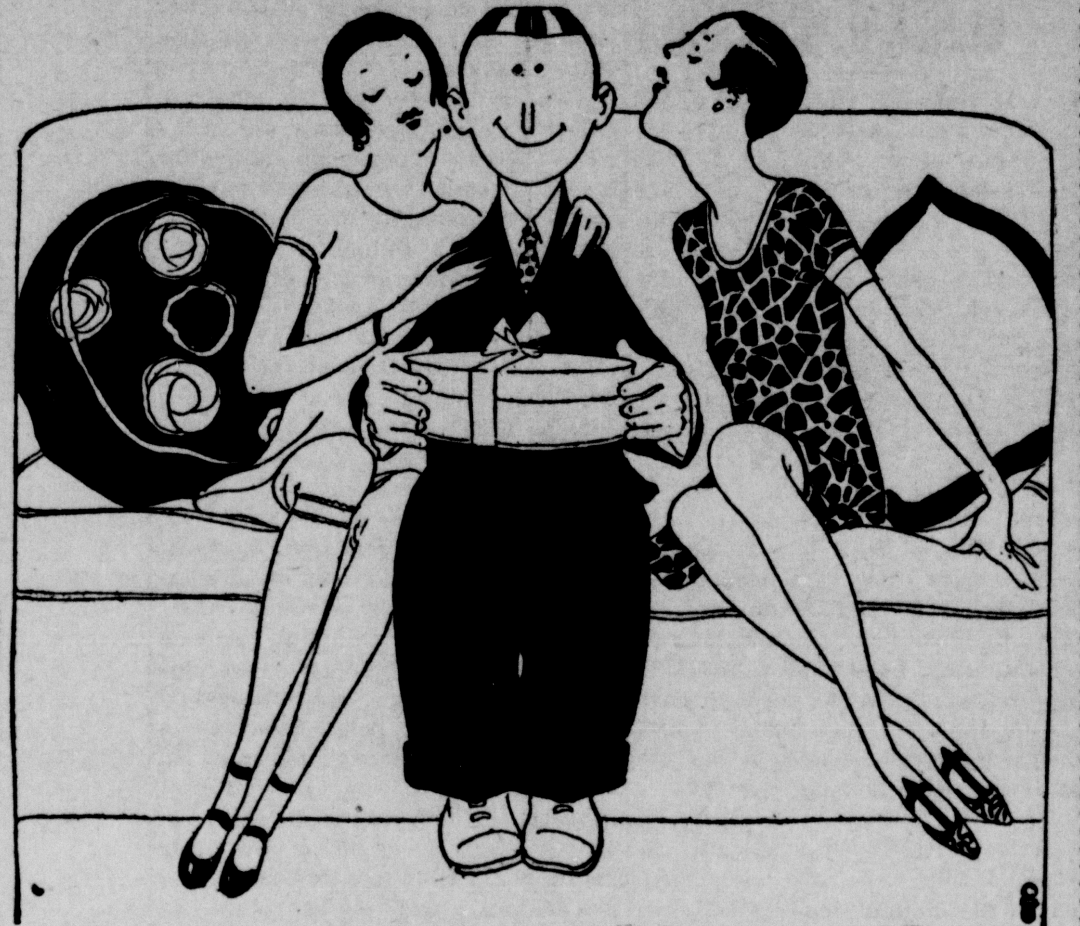
Any and every fellow with a life sized box of Whitman's Candies under his arm (label out), or on his lap, top side up, will be mighty popular St. Valentine's Day. Why? 'Cause it's the favorite candy of every girl in town.

Dudley's
Confectionery
Sikeston, Mo.

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FLOWERS

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3 DIE IN EXPLOSION AT CARUTHERSVILLE

Caruthersville, February 7.—Three men were killed and two or more seriously injured by an explosion, thought to have been a gasoline tank, on a derrick boat in the Mississippi River belonging to the adjacent Dillman Egg Case Co. factory.

The dead are: Alva Peppels, mill foreman; George Hart, laborer, and Harry Pulley, laborer, all of Caruthersville.

George McDaniel was injured and removed to the hospital at Blytheville, Ark. E. Campbell and a man named Wall also were reported seriously hurt. One woman is reported missing.

Noise of the explosion, which occurred at 9:15 a. m., was heard thruout Caruthersville, seat of Pemiscot County. Its force broke a number of small windows in town and one large window on Main street, about five blocks from the boat. Company officers were unable to account for the cause.

The boat, about 110 feet long and 30 feet wide, was comparatively new, with a steel hull and built-in steel tank, measuring about 20x25 feet, for gasoline use and as fuel for the derrick motor. The boat is said to be a total loss.

Of American women over fifteen years of age one in four is a breadwinner.

Yale has made a woman a professor of psychiatric nursing, the first post of its kind to be created.

Mrs. W. H. Dickerson, 62 years old, was found dead in bed Friday morning. She had made preparations to visit her granddaughter at Blodgett, who is very ill with tuberculosis. At 3:20 a. m. she awakened her husband, asking the time and declaring it "seemed time to get up", so eager was she to go. Not until he attempted to reawaken her at 5 a. m. was her death discovered.

WOMAN'S BACK BROKEN

Steele, Mo., February 5.—E. R. Hamilton, of Columbia, Mo., struck and probably fatally injured Mrs. Hugh Britton, 20, at about 5:30 this afternoon. Mrs. Britton, the wife of Hugh Britton, printer, of the Steele Enterprise, was walking along Highway No. 61 on her way home, when struck. Dr. J. W. Robbins states that it is impossible to tell at this time just how serious the injury may prove. The young woman is unconscious and it is thought that her back is broken. An ambulance was called at once and the patient rushed to the Blytheville Hospital.

Mr. Hamilton, in company with his wife, was driving south on his way to New Orleans when the accident happened. He had just passed a large car and in attempting to pass a Ford driven by O. D. Yeager, one of the high school faculty, he collided with Yeager's car and states he lost control of his own. The car passed completely over the young woman's body and was stopped several feet from the scene of the accident. Hamilton will be held pending an investigation and outcome of the injuries.

An almost unknown phenomenon of snow for Christmas was experienced by the people of Lisbon, Portugal last Christmas.

Science reports that the average American boy is two inches taller than the average American grandfather was as a boy.

In Bohemia the willow is said to be the tree on which Judas hanged himself, and it is supposed to have a special attraction for suicides.

After the heart muscle, the diaphragm muscle is the most important in the human body, as it is able to do all the breathing required to maintain life.

The preacher of a church in Houston, Texas, was arrested and fined \$25 for disturbing the peace by his loud and frequent hallelujahs. The neighbors could not sleep.

In Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming, bears climbing poles in search of honey or for the purpose of a view, are a continual cause of trouble on electric transmission lines.

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The mirror was of great significance to the ancients. In Egypt, it was in the shape of the solar disk to indicate the connection between the mirror and the sun god; in China mirrors were placed in great numbers in graves; in Japan the mirror was part of the imperial insignia, along with the sword and the jewel.



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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of City of Sikeston, Mo., From July 1, 1926, to January 1, 1927.

GENERAL REVENUE FUND.

Cash balance July 1, 1926 \$ 1,102.01

Add Receipts.

Real estate taxes \$14,682.99
Personal taxes 3,885.38
Poll taxes 464.00
Cemetery taxes 204.00
Merchant licenses 4,500.00
Merchants advalorem 4,804.57

\$28,540.94

Police fines 722.00
Cemetery graves sold 59.50
Collection on water bills 6,149.44
Material sold, Water Department 441.70
Auto licenses 1,521.50
Dog licenses 64.00
Interest and clerk's cost 37.97
Interest on daily balances 8.40
Miscellaneous income 163.00

\$37,708.45

Deduct Cash Disbursements.

Administrative expense \$ 3,456.08
Police and fire 3,654.07
Street lighting 1,008.00
Street and sewer expense 5,530.97
Charities 95.31
Parks and recreation 303.50
Water Department expense 4,735.76
Cemetery upkeep 599.70
New sanitary sewer expense 150.65
Transfer to sinking fund 2,228.15

\$21,762.19

Balance per books December 31, 1926 17,048.27
Outstanding check December 31, 1926 83.40

\$17,131.67

SINKING FUND.

Cash balance July 1, 1926 \$ 7,640.41

Add Receipts.

Transferred from General Revenue Fund \$ 2,228.15
Waterworks bond and interest paid on former report returned by Bank of Commerce, St. Louis 1,000.00
Interest on same 753.13
Interest on bank balances 66.05

\$4,047.33

Less Cash Disbursements.

Street bonds paid \$ 1,000.00
Fire Department bonds paid 1,000.00
Waterworks bonds paid 4,500.00
Interest paid on bonds 5,184.59

11,684.59

Balance as per Books and Bank December 31, 1926 3.15

SANITARY SEWER FUND.

Balance July 1, 1926 \$66,321.29

Interest received on bank balances 526.01

\$66,847.30

Less Cash Disbursements.

Wilcox & Berthe, engineers \$ 2,819.88
Rowan & Rickard, contractors 45,165.12
Freight 99.00
M. A. Arterburn 448.00
Paul Bucholz 295.00

\$48,827.00

Balance December 31, 1926 \$18,060.30

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

Waterworks bonds outstanding at 5 per cent \$16,500.00
Street Improvement bonds outstanding at 5 per cent 9,000.00
Fire Department bonds outstanding at 6 per cent 23,000.00
Sanitary Sewer bonds outstanding at 5 per cent 82,000.00

\$130,500.00

JOHN G. FOX, City Clerk.

Local and Personal

The Co-Workers met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lyle Malone with Mrs. Malone and Mrs. J. M. Sitze as hostesses. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Florence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin.

Friends of Miss Lillian Bone, who has a position in Monroe, La., will be sorry to learn that she underwent an operation for appendicitis last week in a Hot Springs, Ark., hospital. R. K. Bone went down Saturday to be with his daughter a few days.

George Benauer of St. Louis was a business visitor in Sikeston, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews were in Jefferson City and St. Louis this week.

Mrs. P. J. Kesling of Campbell is visiting her niece, Mrs. Claude Welch in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young left on Thursday for a few days' visit in Memphis, Tenn.

H. C. Kirkpatrick of Benton expects to move his family to Sikeston some time next week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Young spent Wednesday in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. J. W. Robertson and son spent last week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, in Farnfeld.

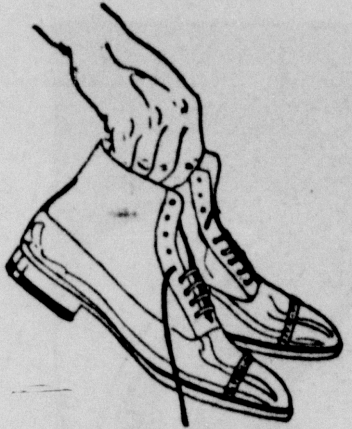
Mrs. Arnold Roth entertained the members of the Friday Afternoon Bridge Club, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blandford of Washington, Ind., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wainman.

Mrs. Mollie Hunter of Morehouse was the guest of Mrs. Betty Matthews Saturday and Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Sanders and children of Poplar Bluff were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Proffer, Sunday.

In the absence of W. H. Sikes from the Thursday luncheon, the Lions Club passed a resolution requesting the Lions to eat more sweet potatoes during the coming two years.



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FRONT STREET

Majr H. E. Dudley and Sergeant Max Jackson were in Doniphan Wednesday in the interest of the National Guards.

Mrs. Wm. Davis and Miss Ida Law of Pt. Pleasant were guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Albert Shields, Wednesday.

Friends have received word from Mrs. Wm. Vigal, who has been ill in St. Louis, this winter, that she is now improving.

Mrs. Jeff Hubbard, who has been quite ill at the home of Mrs. J. W. Robertson, returned to her home in Blodgett, last week.

Two car loads of hogs were shipped out of Sikeston this week, one car by Roly McDonald and one by the Sikeston Shipping Association.

Mr. and Mrs. John Corrigan and family of Poplar Bluff spent Sunday in Sikeston with Mrs. Corrigan's mother, Mrs. Betty Matthews.

Miss Iris Pickel of Louisville, Miss. arrived in Sikeston Sunday to assist Mrs. Ben Welter in the Elite Hat Shop during the spring season.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. L. F. Mayfield, Thursday evening with Mrs. Mayfield and Mrs. F. L. Pittman as hostesses.

The Sikeston High School boys defeated the Bertrand High School boys team Wednesday afternoon in a practice game that was slow and listless. The score was 32-29.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son born Tuesday, February 8, at Malden. Mrs. Anderson was formerly Miss Effie Inman.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Welch had as dinner guests Thursday Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson and children.

The Sikeston Live Stock Shipping Association will hold its annual meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Saturday, February 12, for the purpose of electing officers.

The Intermediate League will have a valentine party Friday night in the basement of the Methodist church. Mrs. Albert Shields, superintendent of the league will have charge of the affair.

Byron Crain was among those who went to St. Louis to attend the launching of Reginald Potashnick's career upon its voyage across the troubled waters of the sea of matrimony.

Charles Watson, one of The Standard carrier boys, has been ill the past week, his brother, Leonard, carrying his papers for him. We hope Charles will be out and with us again, Monday.

Wid C. Matthews of Caruthersville was a visitor in Sikeston, Wednesday afternoon on his way to Cape Girardeau, where he refereed the Cape Teachers-Maryville Teachers basketball game that night.

Mrs. E. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Mathewson and Miss Eloise Mathewson of New Madrid were guests of Mrs. W. B. Robinson over the week-end. On Sunday, they motored to Cape Girardeau for a short visit.

Mrs. J. H. Kready entertained thirty ladies Wednesday afternoon in honor of her guest, Mrs. Robt. Johnson of Shreveport, La., who formerly resided in Sikeston. Mrs. Johnson will leave Saturday for Poplar Bluff to visit her daughter, Mrs. Bert Lankford.

LIONS ENDORSE CAIRO BRIDGE

The Sikeston Lions Club endorsed the Cairo bridge proposition by a unanimous vote at their weekly luncheon at the Hotel Marshall, Thursday noon.

A resolution was also passed requesting the State Legislature not to lower the appropriation for the National Guards of the State this year as had been proposed. It was pointed out that a cutting of the appropriation would make it impossible for the organization to operate with any degree of efficiency and would make it necessary to do away with a number of the companies.

The Club had as its guests, A. J. Renner, Scott County Agent and Ashleigh P. Boles, Horticultural Agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Sheriff Wade Tucker of New Madrid and a United States detective were in Matthews Monday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarty and children and Miss Elrene Shelton of Sikeston visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Shelton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gentry and babe of Sikeston visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Dora Waters, Sunday.

A number of our citizens were in New Madrid Monday attending court.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Caldwell and children spent Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Daugherty. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell will leave in a few days for Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Effie Williams and children spent the week-end in Chaffee with their husband and father, Bert Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Biggens and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chiles were Cape Girardeau visitors, Sunday.

Mrs. G. W. Presnell and Miss Elrene Shelton of Sikeston were Matthews visitors, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hunott and little son, Gene Lee, returned home after a week's visit here with the latter's mother, Mrs. Dora Waters.

Olen Critchlow has returned from Springfield after finishing a business course at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Steele and little daughter of New Madrid, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Mary Steele.

HILL RESIGNS AS LIONS DISTRICT GOVERNOR

A letter from the International Headquarters of the Lions Club at Chicago, announcing the resignation of Henry A. Hill as District Governor of the Lions Club in Missouri and the appointment and confirmation of Phillip O. Viall of Webster Groves as his successor was read at the luncheon of the Club, Thursday. Mr. Hill's change of residence from the state necessitates his resignation.

Methodist Church

Morning services—Missionary sermon: "Need of America".

Night service: The second of a series of sermons on "The Parables".



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Resolutions of Respect

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to call from labor to rest, our dearly beloved Brother, Gottfried Schuerenberg, who died February 7, 1927; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That, in the death of Bro. Schuerenberg, his family has lost a devoted husband and father, the lodge a faithful and useful member, and the community an upright and honored citizen.

Resolved, That we will ever bear in grateful remembrance the zeal and fidelity with which Bro. Schuerenberg discharged all his Masonic duties, and will try to imitate his devotion to the grand principles of our Fraternity.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved widow and children, and recommend them to the care of God whom Bro. Schuerenberg served, and in whom he trusted.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be spread upon our records, and a copy sent to the family of our deceased Brother.

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WILLIAM BUESCHING

Committee

The Standard \$1.50. per year.

The Pickelhaube, or German helmet, has been replaced by the American police cap in the Swedish police uniform.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dill, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shuppert, Gord Dill and son, Hildreath were called to Carbondale, Ill., Tuesday afternoon by the serious illness of Mrs. A. B. Dill, who has been visiting relatives in that city. Mrs. Dill was some improved Wednesday, when some members of the family returned home. A. B. Dill and Mrs. Jack Shuppert remained in Carbondale.

Dr. Lee Williams and William Davis of Pt. Pleasant transacted business in Sikeston, Wednesday.

A six-foot seven-inch soldier at Fort Sheridan wears the largest shoes made for the United States Army—size 12 EE.

More spacious quarters have been found for the Public Library, Mrs. Ronald Buckles giving the back part of the Music Shop over for that purpose. This will enable several reading tables to be installed for the benefit of the patrons.

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SEWING WEEK

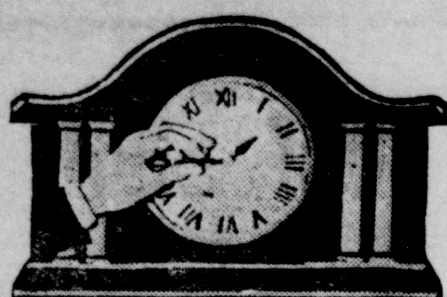


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SIKESTON, MO.

Ed Kendall was in New Madrid on business, Monday.

Miss Lucy Godsey spent last week-end with relatives in Clarkton.

Mrs. L. L. Contazer has been visiting relatives in Parma for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Sikes left on Wednesday morning for Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Joe Harrison of Springfield, Mo., representative to the Bennis Bag Co., of St. Louis, transacted business in Sikeston last week.

Mrs. S. W. Applegate, Mrs. C. T. Old, Mrs. Paul Anderson and Mrs. Ralph Anderson drove to Commerce Thursday to attend a luncheon given by Mrs. Wade Anderson.



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Local and Personal

Jean Hirschberg transacted business in Malden, Tuesday.

J. Arnold Roth went to St. Louis Tuesday morning, on business.

Mrs. F. L. Pittman was hostess to the members of the Wednesday Club, this week.

Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and Mrs. Clare Stevens and babe drove to Dexter, Tuesday.

Tom Hunter of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. B. Skillman, Tuesday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith was the guest of relatives in Diehlstadt, Saturday and Sunday of last week.

Mrs. Moore Greer attended a bridge party Friday at the home of Mrs. Byron Schuh in Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. W. L. Huter, Mrs. John Powell and Mrs. Earl Pate spent Tuesday in Cairo.

Mrs. W. T. Marshall and son, W. W. Marshall, of Charleston, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Sunday.

Mrs. Lyon Schreff and daughter, Mary Lou, drove to Poplar Bluff on Wednesday to spend the day with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Du Bois and Bob Du Bois, of Cobden, Ill., visited their daughter and sister, Miss Ellen Du Bois, this week.

Judge and Mrs. I. L. Parrott of Lilbourn and Mrs. Effie Hunter of New Madrid were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Henry, last Sunday.

The Lutherans will have services at Miner Switch Sunday morning at 10:30. Theme: "Two Words of Jesus at Bethany". All are welcome.

Mrs. W. L. Huters will entertain with a bridge party Saturday afternoon honoring her sisters-in-law, Mrs. Olga Woods and Miss Irene Huters.

E. A. McRae went to Memphis, on Sunday to meet Mrs. McRae and infant son, who were en route home from Lexington, Miss. and Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Huter and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson were guests at a bridge party Monday night, given at the Country Club near Cape Girardeau.

The Ladies' Alter Society, of the Catholic Church, elected Mrs. John Welter president and Mrs. Charles Frank, Secretary-Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Otis Brown, representative of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., who has been located in Mayfield, Ky., has been transferred to the territory surrounding Sikeston.

Mrs. Moore Greer, Mrs. Charles L. Prow and Mrs. Murray Phillips of New Madrid were guests at a bridge party last Saturday given by Miss Helen Shelby in Charleston.

The U. D. C. held a meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Moore Greer, with Mrs. Greer and Mrs. Charles Lindley as hostesses. Mrs. W. S. Smith led the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson were in Cairo Sunday afternoon to attend the matinee performance of George White's Scandals.

Mrs. Olga Woods and daughter, Mary Love, and Miss Irma Huter of Cape Girardeau, are expected this Friday for a week-end visit with their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Huters.

The local chapter of the D. A. R. will entertain the Cape Girardeau and New Madrid chapters with a tea party the 22nd of February at the home of Mrs. S. W. Applegate, Regent of the Sikeston Chapter.

Miss Mary Crain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Crain, of Sikeston, was married in Chicago, January 8, 1927, to Wm. H. Light of that city, Judge Harry Erwin of De Kalb, Ill., officiating. Their address in Chicago is 1230 West Madison St.

Ray Marshall returned Tuesday night from Fayette, where he has been attending Central College. Ray is on a several days leave of absence from college to have his throat treated. As soon as its condition will permit, he expects to return to school.

The Hebbeler's have secured J. O. Ingerson of Vermont to serve as dairyman on their farm. Mr. Ingerson is a dairyman of extensive experience having last worked at the Hood Dairy Farm at Boston, Mass. He is a World War veteran, having been a German prisoner for three months.

J. D. Utterback, of Big Creek, Cal., in renewing for The Standard, says: "Am sending check for your 'Old Jefferson Democratic Paper'. Democrats are a little scarce in California as Iowa and Kansas have about filled this state up. Am proud old Missouri is seeing the light again with men like Reed and Hawes to lead them. Regards to all".

A WORD FOR THE PARSON

Picking on the parson is one of the favorite indoor sports in many American homes, and not infrequently the preacher is a convenient object of criticism for a Monday morning editorial. He is condemned if he does and condemned if he doesn't. Now a newspaper takes up valuable editorial space to speak a good word for the parson, and The Reformer Church Messenger appreciatively reprints it. Says the Baltimore Evening Sun:

"In this day of spiritual searching the parson has come in for no little criticism. Perhaps he deserves it, but, on the other hand, it is about time to receive a word of sympathy. His task is difficult, for no matter which way he turns he meets with objections from some part of his flock.

"If the parson takes a narrow view of religion, he is accused of bigotry; if he takes a broad view, he is suspected of heresy. If he asks for money, he is charged with worldliness; if he doesn't ask for it, his church falls to pieces. If he pays calls on his congregation, he risks the reputation of being a bore; if he doesn't pay calls, he is charged with indifference. If he indorses movies, oyster suppers and bowling alleys in the basement, the conservatives protest; if he sticks to services only, the boosters howl. If he introduces innovations in his sermon, he is called sensational; if he confines himself to the beatitudes, he is condemned for his platitudes. If he specializes on the Sunday school, the choir resents it; if he specializes on the choir, the Sunday school blows up.

"In the old days the parson had a ready weapon. He alone could offer the benediction and the absolution. Nowadays very few in the congregation know what either means. Most of them imagine their sins are washed away by the simple process of dropping a quarter in the collection plate. Like the schoolmaster's birch, the parson's big stick has been supplanted by psychology, and no psychology yet discovered has the persuasive effect of a pit seething with fire and brimstone.

"The ideal parson of today must combine the qualities of a financier, an administrator, an orator, a scholar, a salesman, a musician, a teacher, a diplomat. If his church is small, he will find it useful to know also the rudimentary principles employed by painters, plumbers, electricians, furnace men, glaziers, carpenters and roof-repairers. Some parsons break under the strain—and parishioners hold up their hands in surprise and horror. The fact that all of them do not break is, indeed, the greater wonder."—Literary Digest.

FOR SALE—Child's violin.—Mrs. B. F. Blanton, 813 N. Ranney. 4t.

Construction of a nine-hole golf course on the Poplar Bluff Country Club site, will begin immediately, according to R. L. Reed, one of the club officers. Two clubhouses already are located on the property.

Sikeston newspapers have been doing a good deal of left-handed boasting about the condition of their streets of late. This is amply justified, we believe, for it was a task to get over the streets leading to the high school building. On leaving the game a car got "stuck" on the street, the writer followed on going out and we took a different one returning. It was little, if any, better, but was negotiated without miring down, fortunately. Caruthersville people can well appreciate the sort of streets we have after an experience like this away from home.—Caruthersville Democrat.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by James E. Smith, and his wife Julia A. Smith, dated January Nineteenth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Four, and recorded on the Twenty-Sixth Day of January, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Four in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 45, at Page number 69, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lots numbered Eight (8), Nine (9) and Ten (10), in Block number Four (4), in the Original Town, now City, of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the Official Plat and Survey thereof, and all improvements thereon. Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner,

SATURDAY, MARCH 5th, 1927 between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. of said day sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the Front Door of the Post Office in the Town or City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING, (Trustee). First Publication Feb. 11, 1927.

Lore for Dog-Owners

By Albert Payson Terhune

THE MEANEST MAN



A Piece of Cooked Liver Just Inside the Entrance.

IT WAS A sorrowful little group that stood around a little new-heaped mound in the garden of the Brewster's house on Vine street one slushy day late in winter.

Old Man Negley had dug a grave in the frosty loam and there he had laid a ruffled body—a body which, a day earlier, had been vibrant with daily happy life and with love for all mankind. It was the body of Mary Brewster's beloved Alredale puppy. Mary and a group of children were watching the burying of their pet.

"Don't cry, dear!" Old Man Negley consoled the sobbing Mary as he finished shaping the sodden mound above the grave. "He's past all kinds of pain and bad treatment now. Nothing can hurt him any more. By and by you'll get to remembering what a happy life you gave him and how much you did for him and that'll comfort you.

"Just think, he might have been owned by folks who'd have neglected him or beaten him or made him worthless. Instead of that, he was owned by you and you did everything for him. He had a lovely life with you, all his ten months. That is something worth remembering."

The old man's face was very gentle and tender as he talked to the weeping Mary. But as he turned away from the group and went indoors at a call from Mr. Brewer, there was a flinty set to his mouth and an ugly light in his kind old eyes.

"I'm a peaceful man, Mr. Brewer," said he, as Brewer beckoned him into the kitchen. "But I'd gladly do three months in jail for the privilege of smashing every bone in the body of the blackguard who poisoned that baby's pet dog. If there is a hell hereafter, there must be a specially sizzling corner of it waiting for the folks who poison dogs. . . . By the way," he broke off, "you beckoned me to come in here. What did you want me for? I ought to have asked right off, but I was kind of riled by Mary's crying and by—"

"Riled?" echoed Brewer, savagely. "That's nothing to the way I feel. It's nothing to the way I've felt ever since we found poor Gyp lying on the doorstep this morning dying of the strychnine poison someone had given him. That's why I sent for you. I'm going to punish the brute who poisoned that brave, inoffensive little Alredale if it takes every cent I've got and if it lands me in a police court for assault and battery."

"You can't do it, Mr. Brewer," said Negley. "That's the rotten part of it. Dog poisoning is so easy to do and so hard to prove. If you catch someone putting poisoned food on your own land and if you can prove it is poisoned, then you may be able to do something, legally—but not half enough. Or if you can catch someone actually feeding poisoned food to your dog, you can maybe do a bit more. But still not enough. As it is, you can't do a thing.

"Don't scowl at me. I'm telling you the truth—even if it's bad-tasting, as truth is apt to be. A dog is the easiest animal in the world to poison just as a cat is the hardest to poison. A dog bolts down a chunk of meat or of some other food without sniffing at it or chewing it carefully. A cat always smells and tastes a morsel of food before she eats it and even then she doesn't bolt it at a gulp.

"Anyone can put strychnine or arsenic or powdered glass into a lump of meat and then wait his time to toss it to a dog when nobody is looking or else leave it in the yard of the house the dog lives in. You may have your suspicions but unless you have positive proof, you can't do a thing. More than once I'd have taken a chance by thrashing some person I had reason to suspect was a dog-poisoner, only the person happened to be a woman all three times. It's said that three times as many women are dog poisoners as men. I don't like to believe that."

"We'll say there is a quarrel between two people who live next door to each other. One of them tries to 'get even' by poisoning the other's dog. Or there is a dog that digs up flower beds or chases chickens. The owner of the flowers or of the chickens leaves poisoned food on his own premises for the dog to gobble up next time. And there isn't any real proof.

"That plucky Alredale pup of Mary's may have barked at some timorous old woman who was so afraid of the playful little chap that she decided to get rid of him. Or some thief may have wanted to get into your house, and he may have paved the way by poisoning your young watch dog. It may have happened in any of a dozen ways. You can't hope to bring proof of it home to any one. I wish you could, but you can't."

"Once up in North Jersey, where I worked, a man had a glorious collie that was like a member of the family. He was the wisest and sweetest and most beautiful dog I ever saw. There was some sort of a sanitarium about a mile away. One of the patients—a hysterical fool—went for a walk dressed as a man, and she crossed the grounds where this collie lived. He didn't see her, as he was indoors. But some puppies were loose and they came racing around her and barking and jumping at her, in play. She went home, bellowing, and she told the nurses at the sanitarium that she had been set upon by savage dogs.

"Two days later this grand old collie saw a bit of cooked liver just inside the entrance of his master's grounds. He ate it. At once he was in agony. A vet was rushed to work over him. It was no use. The vet made an autopsy. Arsenical poisoning. A second bit of liver was found near the gate with enough arsenic in it to kill two humans. But there was no real proof.

"Up in Buffalo awhile back a dog was poisoned. His master had this inscription put over the dog's grave: 'Here lies Spot, who fought square and in the open unlike the yellow sneaking coward who poisoned him.'"

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"Queen City of East"

Once Antioch's Title

Ancient Antioch in Syria stood a little inland from the northeastern shore of the Mediterranean. It was built in the year 300 B. C. by Seleucus, the Grecian king of Asia Minor. Because of the beauty of its situation and magnificence of many of its buildings it was named "Queen of the East." It was at Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians, a name probably given to them by pagans as a nickname. After the destruction of Jerusalem by Titus, 770 A. D., Antioch became the center of Christendom, the Family Herald says.

In the Middle Ages Antioch fell into the hands of the Saracens, but the Crusaders captured it in 1098 and held it until June, 1268, when it was captured by the sultan of Egypt and later by the Turks. The peace arrangement of 1919 placed this part of Syria under the mandate of France.

Tidal Rivers

The term "drowned river system" refers to such a system of tidal rivers as the Hudson, Delaware, Susquehanna, Potomac and James, where the trunk valley and its branches were submerged by the sea entering their lower parts because of a sinking of the edge of the continent. This has made possible wonderful harbors at the mouths of these tidal streams.

Dinosaur Tracks

Dinosaur footprints, found on a thin layer of rock about seven miles from Tuba City on the Navajo Indian Reservation, near the Grand Canyon park, Arizona, measure 16 inches in length and 13 in width.

LOST—Somewhere between Benton and New Madrid, on Tuesday, two overcoats. Return to The Standard office. Reward.

Following a nervous shock, a Par- isian turned blue all over. Physicians have been unable to restore him to his natural color.

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CAIRO MEN MET HERE WEDNESDAY

Six members of the Cairo Chamber of Commerce met with members of the Sikeston Chamber of Commerce, Wednesday morning and discussed the proposed bridge stock drive which is to take place in this city, Friday. The Cairo Committee consisting of H. R. Johnson, W. F. Dougherty, Tom Madra, Frank Schuh, John Greaney and T. W. Williams will return Friday and work with a committee from the Sikeston Club consisting of C. C. White, E. C. Matthews, Lyman Bowman, Emanuel Schorle, M. M. Beck and C. E. Felker in canvassing the town.

The Cairo Bridge and Terminal Company has been organized to construct, own and operate a highway toll bridge across the Mississippi River connecting the new existing concrete road system of Illinois at Cairo with the State Highway System of Missouri at Birds Point. The estimated cost of the completed bridge, including interest charges on mortgage bonds and debentures during the course of construction will be more than \$3,000,000 and will be represented as follows:

First mortgage, 20 year, 7 per cent bonds, \$2,000,000; 7 per cent debentures, \$500,000; 7 per cent preferred stock (this issue) \$650,000; common stock, no par value, 60,000 shares.

The first mortgage bonds, debentures and the remaining \$50,000 of preferred stock have been underwritten by H. M. Bylesby Company and the Federal Securities Corporation of Chicago, which insures the successful financing of the property.

The proposed bridge was designed by Dr. J. A. L. Waddell, the eminent engineer, and approved by Ford, Bacon & Davis, Inc., who also, after a careful estimate of the traffic which will be enjoyed, state that the earnings from this bridge will be sufficient to pay all interest charges taxes, provide dividends on the preferred stock and dividends on the common stock at a very satisfactory rate and retire the debentures within a period of 15 years of operation, the first mortgage bonds and the preferred stock within twenty years. Each subscriber to a share of preferred stock will also receive one share of common stock.

Bridge High Lights

The Bridge Committee has dependable information that the Ferry Companies operating between Cairo and Missouri are collecting fares sufficient to take care of the interest on the bonds and preferred stock of the proposed Cairo-Missouri bridge and leave a balance for a sinking fund to apply on the principal. Everybody knows that traffic will be greatly increased by the bridge service over the present ferry service; so there will be abundant funds to take care of the stock and bonds.

At the present time the 1700 automobiles in the city of Cairo average less than one trip yearly into Southeast Missouri. When the bridge is completed there will be at least 2000 automobiles in the city of Cairo that will average at least six trips to Missouri yearly. This will also apply to towns North of Cairo, as well as all of the Missouri territory that will be benefitted by the bridge. This increase in travel will more than pay half of the interest on the money that will be raised by the people of Cairo.

Increase the value of not only the property in Cairo but the farming territory close by in Illinois and Missouri.

Increase the revenue of the cotton crop in Southeast Missouri because it can be brought to Cairo and shipped to the market at a much cheaper cost than it can be shipped now from Southeast Missouri.

Will increase the revenue for hogs and cattle in Southeast Missouri because they can be driven over the bridge directly to the packing plant.

Will increase the freight rates from Cairo to all Southeast Missouri points because of the commutation boats to be issued making the rate for local people over the bridge at 50 cents.

Eventually may bring a railroad with all its benefits over the bridge. Last Saturday I had to go to Sikeston, Mo.—account of ice (zero weather) waited 50 minutes to get a ferry—took 1 3/4 hours to get to Birds Point. Total time over 2 1/2 hours. Bridge would have consumed 5 minutes.

Cars squeezed in on ferries and sometimes damaged. Also loss of time loading and unloading.

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traffic between Cairo and Birds Point before and after the completion of hard roads system demonstrates very conclusively what may be expected when the bridge is built.

Not so very long ago one boat handled all the traffic through the Cairo gateway to Missouri, and it was a battle for existence with this boat all the time. Since the completion of the hard roads five boats have been entered in the ferry trade between Cairo and Birds Point alone and all are making unprecedented profits.

Bridges themselves make possible travel into territory previously accessible only with difficulty, and thereby create new traffic. The soundness of toll bridge financing from the investor's standpoint lies first, in the reliability of the trained engineer's recommendation that a projected bridge will meet a present public demand sufficient to insure immediate financial success, and, further in the fact that the public need which a bridge will fill is one which grows constantly greater, year by year, with the increase of automobiles registration and the increase in the number of miles of paved roads available to automobile traffic.

Dr. J. A. L. Waddell says that the Cairo Bridge will be so constructed that it will be in use for 200 years. During these 200 years it will never be idle. Quite a monument to hand over to future generations.

Miss Emma Hall of St. Louis will arrive Thursday to assume a position as trimmer in Miss Daisy Garden's Hat Shop.

Poplar Bluff Odd Fellows are preparing to entertain more than 1500 Odd Fellows from various lodges in Missouri in May. The convention will continue three days. George W. Davis and Harry Collins, grand instructor of Missouri, met with representatives from two dozen Southeast Missouri lodges at Poplar Bluff Wednesday night.

Ollie Cooper, Butler County negro, who was pardoned from the State penitentiary a few months ago by Gov Sam A. Baker, following his work in curbing a mutiny in the prison yards, has been arrested at Little Rock and will be returned to Poplar Bluff to face charges of shoplifting. Officers say he is also wanted on other charges. Gov. Baker today issued the requisition.

Blytheville is endeavoring to give as many men as possible work during the dull season, so by order of Mayor H. H. Brown, 30 men were employed during the past week in cleaning the streets. Instead of using a few men full time, the work was distributed among 30, and in this way a number of families were able to support themselves, who otherwise might have been forced to go to the Red Cross for aid.

W. H. TANNER MADE FARM BUREAU HEAD

W. H. Tanner was made president of the Scott County Farm Bureau at its annual meeting held at Benton, Tuesday, J. J. Reiss was named vice-president; L. A. Schott, Benton, secretary; Mr. Heisserer, Benton, treasurer.

The principal resolution adopted, demanded that the tax valuation of Southeast Missouri farm lands be reduced and that the Missouri Legislature not curtail appropriations for agricultural extension work. Resolutions commending the Scott County Court for its support of agricultural extension work in Scott County and commending County Agent A. J. Renner and the specialists of the extension service for the work done in the county, endorsing 'Neighbor Day' and extending praise to the newspapers of the district for their co-operation, were adopted.

The principal talks of the occasion were made by the president, W. H. Tanner, County Superintendent of Schools J. H. Goodin, secretary of the Southeast Missouri Association W. F. D. Batjer, and Congressman James F. Fulbright. Fulbright's talk dealt mainly with the farmers' problems and stressed the need of farm relief legislation. He also spoke of the need for reduction of tax valuations in Southeast Missouri.

The following members of the executive committee were named: J. S. Hodges and W. W. Hinchey, Sikeston; J. F. Diebold and Andy Heisserer, Kelso; Nick Menz, Chaffee; Joe Stricker, Charleston route; Tony Goshe, R. Q. Black, August Klueppel, Jr., M. C. Dunn, Oran; Mrs. Frank Emerson and Hal Boyce, Morley; Evin Burke, Vanduser; Theon Grojean, New Hamburg; Mrs. Joe Ellis, John R. Scherer and George Buck, Commerce; Carl Luper, Alden Pinner, T. E. Chewing and Charles A. Leedy, Benton; Judge Wm. Pfefferkorn and Dr. Neinstedt, Blodgett.

SIKESTON MAN HEADS COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

Dr. Howard M. Kendig was chosen president of the Scott County Medical Society at the annual meeting of the association at Benton Tuesday afternoon. Other officers chosen were Dr. Ashley of Illinois, vice-president; Dr. G. S. Cannon, Fomfelt, secretary-treasurer; Dr. U. P. Haw of Benton, delegate to the state convention at Sedalia in April.

Recent basketball victories over both Wentworth and Kemper have put the Chillicothe Business College quintet in line for another Missouri State Conference basketball championship.

HIGHWAY MEETING AT BENTON THURSDAY

Employees of the Missouri State Highway Division No. 10 assembled in the Community Hall at Benton on Thursday for their annual meeting and banquet which this year takes the form of a farewell to their retiring chief, Frank B. Newton, who sails shortly for South America.

Prior to the banquet, the afternoon session was devoted to a discussion of the highway problems of the district, addresses being given by T. H. Cutler, the new chief engineer; C. D. Matthews, Jr., chairman of the Commission and other members of the Missouri Highway Commission who were expected to be present.

Following the banquet, a number of amusing features were planned including a basketball game between the "Fats" and the "Leans", and a tug-o-war between the "Hill Billies" of Cape Girardeau and Bollinger Counties and the "Swamp Angels" of Dunklin, Pemiscot and Stoddard Counties.

Music was furnished at the banquet by Kassel's Orchestra of Cape Girardeau and by the Division quartette. F. W. Sayers acted as toastmaster.

Les Sexton was in New Madrid, on Tuesday.

Barney Waggoner drove to St. Louis, Sunday.

Mrs. Ruskin Cook left Tuesday to join her husband in St. Louis.

Miss Frances Burch was the guest of friends in Lilbourn last week-end.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY TO BE OPENED ON MONDAY

Book lovers will be privileged to borrow books from the Sikeston Public Library beginning Monday, February 14, Dr. W. H. Johnson, the librarian, has announced.

The Public Library was made possible by the loan of a number of books by the Missouri State Library Commission. These will be loaned out, free of charge to the people of the town upon their obtaining a library card and having it signed by two responsible persons, thus guaranteeing the return of the books.

The library, for the times being at least, will be housed in Dr. Johnson's office in the Hotel Del Rey building and will be open from 4:00 to 5:00 each afternoon of the week and Sunday mornings.

To supplement the books furnished by the State Library Commission, it is hoped that people will contribute books from their personal libraries from time to time and that a sizable collection of worthwhile literature may then be made available to the public.

Books received from the Library Commission are:

Adams, "Success"; Altsheer, "Horsemen of the Plains"; Ashmun, "Heart of Isable Carleton"; Bailey, "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars"; "Mistress Anne"; Barrie, "What Every Woman Knows"; Bassett, "Steve and the Steam Engine"; Bennett, "Historical Readings"; Bok, "Americanization of Edward W. Bok"; Boyle, "Rural Problems in the United States"; Brigham, "Box Furniture"; Cady, "Caleb Cottontail"; Crane, "Crane Classics"; Dole, "Religion for the New Day"; Emery, "How to Enjoy Pictures"; Evans, "Worthwhile Stories for Every Day"; Fox, "Erskine Dale"; "Pioneer"; Frees, "Animal Mother Goose"; Geirstam, "Book About Little Brother"; Hall, "Good Form For All Occasions"; "Thru Mocking Bird Gap"; "When I Was a Boy in Norway"; Haworth, "Trailmakers of the Northwest"; Ireland, "Joseph Pulitzer"; Johnson, "Old Time Schools and School Books"; "What to See in America"; "Wanted Generation"; King, "Empty Stack"; Lucas, "Wanderer in Washington"; Kyne, "Pride of Palomar"; "Mirrors of Washington"; Montgomery, "Rilla of Ingleside"; Morgan, "Boy's Home Book of Science and Construction"; Morris, "Blue Anchor Inn"; Mulford, "Bar—20 Days"; Richards, "High Tide"; Robinson, "My Brother, Theodore Roosevelt"; Seton, "Two Little Savages"; Sheridan, "Mayfair to Moscow"; Simpson, "Hidden Treasure"; Sinclair, "Mr. Waddington of Wyck"; Spyri, "Cornelli"; Tappan, "Heroes of Progress"; Tarkington, "Alice Ad-

BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN REGULAR SESSION

Monday evening was the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen and all were present but two, F. H. Smith and J. F. Cox. It gave promise of being a bit exciting, but turned out to be calm.

The first business taken up was the request of Rowan & Rickard, the sewer contractors, for a release of a part of the guarantee money held in reserve, and a verbal report of the engineers, Wilcox & Berthe, made by Mr. Berthe. Mr. Berthe stated the entire east section of the sewer was completed, except for some minor things and the extension on Ethel Avenue that will not be taken up until after the west section, and if the east section was needed it could be placed in immediate use. He believed the city would be safe to release to the contractors as much as \$2000, but not over \$3500, as that would then leave a balance of approximately \$12,000 with which to finish the west section of about 2200 feet. It was voted to not release the guarantee money at this time. Mr. Berthe expects to have Mr. Wilcox down from St. Louis about the 15th of the month at which time the east sewer and the Inhoff tank will be given the final inspection.

Then came the gas tax question. About every oil station in Sikeston was represented, and when called on by the Mayor for an expression, were unanimously against it for the reason that it would injure their business, hurt the city and would bring in insufficient money to pave or keep the streets in proper condition. C. E. Brenton, C. H. Dennman and C. L. Blaton likewise expressed the opinion that it would be hurtful to Sikeston.

It was estimated that from 50,000 to 100,000 gallons of gas was sold by the filling stations in Sikeston each month and with a tax of 1/2 cent per gallon, would bring in \$250 to \$500 per month. The oil men believed their business would fall off 40 per cent in case the tax was added.

It was stated that it would cost about \$3000 per block to place an 8-inch coat of gravel on our street including a concrete curb and gutter. At this juncture E. C. Matthews stated that he had a letter from the Missouri Pacific stating they would cede a strip of ground 10 feet wide and running from School Street to the Robinson Lumber Co., provided that the City of Sikeston would pave same without cost to the railroad company. It was estimated to cost \$5000 and it was for this purpose that the gas tax first gathered was to be used. As the City Attorney had not received the desired information for the Board, he was requested to make further efforts and have same ready for an adjourned meeting next Monday night.

Then followed the regular routine of receiving reports and allowing bills.

DEATH OF A VALUED NEW MADRID CITIZEN

Mr. Gottfried Schuenerberg was born January 16, 1856, died February 7, 1927, age 71 years and 22 days.

Mr. Schuenerberg came from Germany at the age of 22 years. Married Emma B. Engert, forty-five years ago at Perryville, Mo. To this union were born five sons and three daughters, all of whom survive, except one daughter and one son, who preceded him to the Happy Home several years ago.

He leaves to mourn his loss, a devoted, true wife, four sons and two daughters; seventeen grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Schuenerberg was stricken several days ago with a cold, which later developed into pneumonia.

SENATE PASSES FIRST MEASURE OF SESSION

Jefferson City, February 9.—The State Senate today passed several bills, the first of the present session, relating to powers and duties of drainage and levee districts in the State. They were designed to stop "organized repudiation of drainage and levee taxes", and were introduced by Senator Ralph Wammack, Democrat, Bloomfield.

The bills now go to the House for further consideration.

Hal Hunter of New Madrid drove to Sikeston, Monday.

Miss Sarah Wilson spent the past week-end in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Felker and family spent Sunday in Bloomfield.

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E. W. Stephens of Columbia, founder of the E. W. Stephens Print- ing Co., and one of the State's most eminent citizens was an honored guest at The Standard office, Wed- nesday afternoon. Mr. Stephens with his family is driving to California and was a guest at the Hotel Del Rey Wednesday night. He has with- in the past year traveled through seventeen states and he informs us that of all the places he has been he considers Southeast Missouri and the "Blue-grass section" of Kentucky as the most favored sections. He pre- dicts a remarkable future for this section of the country when it begins to attain its true development.

The greatest corporation in all Southeast Missouri has been giving some very bum service of late. Of course, when the ice broke down poles and lines, there was an excuse beyond human beings, but the out at supper time Wednesday evening was pretty tough on hotels, restaurants and places that serve the public. These things are what cause the pub- lic to rear up on its hind legs and build their own plant and say, dern the cost.

We were talking to Charlie Heb- beler the other day at the Matthews sale and we were quite surprised to learn of the success he and Harold have made of their dairy farm. It serves to illustrate a point which we have been trying to put before the farmers of this section for some time, namely that a small farm, carefully managed and worked prop- erly will bring in a better return than a farm of many acres worked under the prevalent one crop system with tenant labor. That the Heb- beler brothers are engaged in the dairy business is almost accident. Their ice cream factory requires an assur- ed supply of high grade milk and cream and they found it difficult to supply this demand with cream from the local market. So, to provide themselves with cream, the quality of which they were certain, they es- tablished their dairy farm, hardly realizing that it would prove to be the profitable investment it is. The ninety-acre tract of land and build- ings represent an investment of over \$16,000. An accurate record of the expenditures of the farm and the in- come it has brought in, shows a re- turn of 11.6 per cent on that invest- ment during the year 1926. Includ- ed in the expense was the price paid for expensive labor which the aver- age farmer would do himself; also several heavy losses to livestock as well as the cost of a number of im- provements. One of the ways in which the Hebbeler's are constantly trying to build up their farm is by the addition to their herd of high grade purebred cattle. They also be- lieve strongly in hogs as a source of revenue to the farmer and recently purchased a \$100 purebred brood sow. Cows and hogs for the small farmer are the best sources of revenue, they find. This simply shows what can be done with a farm of this type and we hope to see more of the same in this section the coming year.

Sikeston will benefit immensely by the Cairo bridge and our citizens who can, should take some of the stock as it will certainly pay big dividends, in more ways than one, on the invest- ment.

Those who cook by electricity will now get busy rigging up the old cook stove or buying a new one. Dead stoves are like dead men, tell no tales nor cook hot suppers.

Gene Tunney has signed to make \$800,000 in one fight. Rogers Horns- by is to get \$40,000 a year playing baseball six months, a 17-year-old lad has won \$25,000 swimming a channel, and Babe Ruth will probably sign up to get \$75,000 a season. Yet there remain parents who wish their boys could grow up to be President.—New York Sun.

The Cairo bridge deserves not only the financial support of the people of this vicinity, but their moral support as well. It is a project which care- ful analysis indicates to be a good financial investment to those who buy stock in the venture; it is certain to be a project which will pay big divi- dends to Southeast Missouri and Southern Illinois industrially. We are for the bridge and we believe that it will benefit the people of this town in a large way.

Harold Pitman has been named by Congressman Ralph E. Bailey as alternate appointee to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Bobby Wilbur is the appointee and is now preparing for the entrance ex- aminations. Harold will graduate from Sikeston High School this spring. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pitman.

WHAT PRICE EVOLUTION?

The anti-evolution bill, which would prohibit the teaching of the theory of evolution in State schools, was turned down by an 82-61 vote in the Missouri House of Representa- tives, Tuesday afternoon. Which ac- tion shakes somewhat the conviction we had formed of the intellectual status of the august assemblage. It is a bit disquieting to learn that 82 of the members of our State assem- bly show sufficient sense to see the ridiculousness of the anti-evolution bill. It is a bit disappointing to learn that our lawmakers include only 61 bigots. And it is a bit amusing to find that there were seven members of the legislature who didn't know where they stood. They were perched on the fence, monkey-fashion, peering inquisitively down, not know- ing which side to hop down on. And while they sat, scratching their heads in bewilderment, the show came to an end. It is at least gratifying to know that the representative of Scott County, Mr. Washburn of Chaffee, knew where he stood and so voted. Mr. Washburn voted for the anti- evolution bill. It is surprising to us that Mr. Washburn, coming as he does from a Union Labor town, should so have voted. It seems to us that one imbued as he must be with the idea of the protection of the la- borist from the capitalist would have carried the analogy out a bit further and voted for the privilege of protect- ing the right of the laborist and the laborist's children to think and learn for themselves, free from the bother- some meddling of the bigot who would have peoples minds molded and stamped into a pattern as uniform and unchanging as the silver dollar. But, perhaps the prophet of funda- mentalism, the Hon. Sam D. McDaniel, gaunt, lank Ozarkian from Pine- ville (wherever that is) who, with C. C. Jackson of Oregon, was co-author of the bill, informed Mr. Washburn that evolution was a crafty scheme of the Capitalist to pervert and corrupt the minds of youth against Labor and was an attempt to prove that men were only a higher type of monkey. Certainly, the Hon. Mr. McDaniel, lean and lanky, wearing neither his own nor any man's necktie, made a picturesque figure as he arose in the House with a sheath of notes, com- parable to a year's collection of Con- gressional Records. The Hon. Mc- Daniels spoke with a degree of eru- dition that should make him a candi- date for honorary degrees from Har- vard and Princeton. And perhaps the University will make him a L. L. D. this June at Commencement as a reward for his distinguished and noteworthy services to the State. "The Bible is excluded from the schools by law, but Darwinism is taught at the Universities," he said. "Darwinism is not a science, but a mere hypothesis. Children shouldn't be taught an unproved theory. Let us teach them known facts and exclude a hypothesis that is unproved."

We wonder if Mr. McDaniel's is aware that there is a Bible School at the State University and that its courses are open to all the students? We wonder if the mental processes of his mind are such that he believes poor, unsuspecting students are dragged into the class rooms and under threat, forced to accept Darwinism and evolution? We wonder if he ac- tually knows what Darwin's "Theory of Evolution" is? We wonder if he actually believes college professors would present a mere theory or hy- pothesis to their students as facts, or that students are too dumb to differ- entiate between fact and theory? He says, "let us teach them known facts and exclude a hypothesis that is un- proved". We wonder if he can pre- sent any more positive proof that the Bible contains facts than a Biologist can to substantiate the theory of evolution?

The profound intelligence displayed by Mr. McDaniel is displayed by further extracts from his speech. "We have been bombarded with peti- tions for and against this bill. A wo- man's club sent us a long one. You know there are clubs and clubs. Whenever a bunch of women band themselves together and try to run the world, you will notice that they are not womanly women. They are a mixture of half men and half wo- men, leaving out the womanliness of woman and the nobility of man. They shirk the responsibility of bearing children, but when a womanly wo- man bears a child these neuter genders swoop down, try to take her child and teach it to be an atheist in the public schools.

"The newspapers have carried edi- torials against this bill. Senator Reed in a speech here, one time, said the newspapers were edited by morons. I don't hardly believe that. The news- papers take the men they can't se- for reporters and make editori- writers out of them. These editori- al writers are not morons, but just verbose rhetoricians."

To which, in retaliation, might be said, "Certain counties of the state take the jackasses they can't use on their farms and make represe- t v- es out of them".

Doubtless the prodigious inte-ect displayed by the Hon. McDaniel's, with his charitables and broadened aspect of life, completely arried away our Mr. Washburn and convinc- ed him that we are not, never were, and never shall be monkeys. At any rate, it pleases us to know by his vote Mr. Washburn has indicated that Scott County is opposed to the teach- ing of evolution in the public schools of the state, is opposed to Scientific Progress, is opposed to the right of the individual to think for himself and has no faith in the character and the integrity of the teaching profes- sion and its ability to determine what is fit and proper to be taught the child. Thanks Mr. Washburn.

IN MY WAY

By Warren T. Kingsbury
Snow. Galoshes and rubbers, or wet feet!

Lineman suspended from a pulley running along a cable thirty feet above the street. Apparently as much at ease as a monkey swinging from a limb, but to me that cable looks mighty slim and the sidewalk beneath, mighty hard.

A dog and his bone. Three suc- cessive days have I watched this dog and I'm certain that the bone was the same each day. He seemed to enjoy it as much the last day as he did the first and I couldn't help but think of the gum-chewing flapper, who tucks her gum away beneath a table or chair for future reference just as the dog buries his bone. And I never heard of a bone sticking to anyone's clothes.

Dogs learn much from mankind. During the old days of the saloon in Sikeston, a certain man had a fine bird dog which he thought very high- ly of. So, each morning, when the man of the house went to town, the dog was on the porch waiting to go along with him. And when the master went into the saloon to get his eye-opener, a saucer of beer was placed on the floor for the dog. Such a taste for the foaming fluid did the dog cultivate that he couldn't get along without his beer and, if for some reason his master was out of town, he would wait on the front porch a reasonable length of time for him to appear and then proceeded down town by himself to the saloon and whine and beg until his wants were satisfied. It got so that as he grew older, he spent most of his time making the rounds of the saloons, a confirmed bum, hanging about the bar with a thirsty look on his face until someone took pity on him and had a saucer of beer placed before him. And then, he would greedily lap it up and trot off to the next bar. This dog died a drunkard's death. He was found dead out in the gutter be- hin a saloon.

A negro was lounging at the street curb, when a racial brother drove up in a ram-shakely Ford. "Is you-all ready to go wid me?" the driver asked.

"Yasuh! Yasuh! Jest soon as I runs over to the Post Office and fills my fountain pen", the other replied hurrying off in that direction.

He was so angry his face was ablaze and his jaws worked convul- sively. When he had finally cooled down to the point where his speech was intelligible, he made known the fact that someone had stolen a ton of hay from his truck out on the high- way, in broad day-light. He was starting out to his farm with it, had gotten about a mile out of town and punctured a tire. So taking the tire off, he brought it back to town to be repaired and when he returned to the truck, it was empty and the hay no- where in sight. He was exceedingly wrought up about it and was willing to give a reward greater than the value of the hay, just to apprehend a thief as bold as all that. And a little later he learned that one of the employes had heard that the truck was broken down and had come out, loaded the hay on his wagon and had taken it on down to the farm and stored it in the barn.

Valentines by telegraph, with forms of appropriate greetings, both i n verse and in prose all ready for you to make your selection. I have a horror of such greetings. Just sup- pose that you and your dearest rival happened to select the same love- ly little message? Somehow, no mat- ter how decorative the telegram blank, it hardly seems to me that it could properly express true senti- ment. It is too commercial, the tel- egram. I'll take the old-fashioned pink, scented envelope for mine and I haven't any grievance against the telegraph company either.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The rumors that the Sikeston Gro- cery was going out of business and had been taken over by another firm is unfounded. We are, and expect to be, in business at the same old stand and with the same low prices as in the past.

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SPEAKS ON TRUCK FARMING PROSPECTS

The prospects of the Sikeston Dis- trict as a truck farming center were touched upon by Ashleigh P. Boles, Horticultural Agent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company, in a talk made to members of the Lions Club at their Thursday luncheon.

Mr. Boles dwelt upon the import- ance of going over the ground thor- oughly first and making a careful study of the conditions and crop re- quirements before investing labor and capitol. "When we speak of truck farming", he said, "we do not mean to do away with the existing farming system and devote our en- tire attention to the production of one crop, such as cabbage. Or we do not mean that the farmer should put his entire acreage into truck crops. What we do mean is that he should supplement his present crop system by putting in a small acre- age of perishable truck products, this insuring an additional cash income".

He emphasized the fact that the business men of the town should as- sist the farmer in furnishing him the facts upon which he could plan his farming products. Careful study should be made of all truck products and the facts relating to their pro- duction made available for direction.

The Sikeston district, he pointed out, is admirably adapted to truck farming and with the coming of the bridges at Cairo and Cape Girardeau will have new markets made accessi- ble for truck products.

Christian Church

On account of the pastor's illness last Sunday, the sermons announced for that day will be given Sunday.

10:45—Morning Worship. Subject: "The Body and the Blood".

4:30—Vesper Service.

Subject: "Concerted Worship."

All are invited.

E. B. HENSLEY, Pastor.

The increase in attendance at the Roll Call in the preaching services of the Christian church Sunday was re- assuring. An even better increase is anticipated when the roll is called Sunday. Make it unanimous.

Rev. R. M. Talbert, of Cape Girar- deau, Superintendent of Christian Missions in Southeast Missouri, preached two very spinedid sermons in the Christian church last Sunday. His morning sermon was from the text: "This is not the work of a day or two". He showed in a fine way that the work of Christianity in this world is not a hasty development, but requires long periods of time. Say- ing, "Neither is this the work of a man or two", he showed the univer- sal conceptions of Christianity and then applied these thoughts to the local church as a co-operative enter- prise working through years in serv- ice.

At the Vesper Service, his sermon on "Not Light but Sight", indicated that it is not that we need more light, but more ability to see the abundant light that is now shining. This is true of spiritual light and sight as with the physical.

There were 68 young people in the Christian Endeavor Service Sunday night. The contest in progress for several weeks closed with the cap- tains holding points as follows: Clyde Nicholas, 134 points and Miss Gladys Swinny, 127 points. The con- test was close throughout. Clyde was awarded a five dollar gold piece, and Miss Swinny surprised with a New Testament. The losers are en- tering with a Valentine Banquet in the basement of the church Thurs- day evening.

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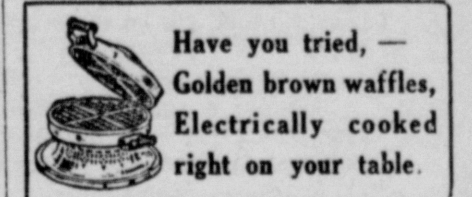
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THE AMERICAN LEGION

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WINS FIRST LEGION FIDAC SCHOLARSHIP

A year's study in Poland is the prize that has been won by George R. Saxon, graduate of Howard college, Birmingham, Ala., and assistant boys' secretary of the Birmingham Y. M. C. A., as the crowning achievement of a long struggle for an education against heavy handicaps. Saxon has been chosen as the first American student to be sent abroad in an exchange of scholarships arranged by the American Legion through Fidac, the international organization of veterans' associations of the allied countries.

Saxon will attend the University of Warsaw, while John J. Tichey, a Polish student, will come to this country in exchange and will attend Columbia university. Funds for the two scholarships are being provided by the Kosciuszko foundation of New York, which was organized to honor Col. Thaddeus Kosciuszko, Polish patriot who served in the American Revolutionary army. Among the organizers of the foundation are a group of prominent Americans including Willis



George R. Saxon. John J. Tichey.

H. Booth, Samuel M. Vauclair, Col. Cedric E. Fauntleroy, Prof. Robert H. Lord, President Henry Noble MacCracken, Prof. Stephen P. Mizwa and Prof. Paul Monroe.

The record of Saxon's fight for an education is an inspiring story.

"I never remember having seen my father, who died when I was six months old," he said, telling of his life. "At sixteen I was only in the fifth grade of school. We lived in a rural district and I could attend school on the average of only 12 weeks each year. I realized that I could never get very far in the preparation for life at that rate, so, with the consent of my mother I went to a nearby village where there was a good grammar school."

"After I had finished grammar school I went to Albertville, Ala., where I operated a telephone exchange at night and went to school in the day time. I finished two years' work there and was beginning my third when I stopped to enter the army for the World War, which kept me out of school two years. I saved my money while in the service with the hope that some day I might not only finish high school but might go on to college."

"When I returned I finished high school and was awarded a scholarship by a newspaper which paid my expenses through Howard college."

"While in college I sold books in Kentucky and West Virginia one summer and the others I worked for the Central Young Men's Christian association of Birmingham. After my graduation in the spring of 1925 I became a member of the staff there."

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N. Carolina Auxiliary Spends \$20,000 in Year

The American Legion Auxiliary of North Carolina, aided by the Legion Auxiliaries of other states, collected and spent more than \$20,000 during the last year for the welfare of disabled World War veterans being treated at the United States Veterans' Bureau hospital at Oteen, N. C., according to a report to the North Carolina Auxiliary convention. The Auxiliary of Pennsylvania contributed \$4,000 to the fund.

Depict Woman's Sacrifice

Some of the finest mural paintings of a World War subject ever painted will be placed on the walls of the state capitol building at Oklahoma City, Okla., by the American Legion, department of Oklahoma, Department Adjutant Harold Janeway announced recently. The subject of the panels will be woman's sacrifice of her sons for the nation.

Honor Heroes

As an encouragement to men in the public service, New Rochelle post of the American Legion of New Rochelle, N. Y., recently gave two medals to be awarded to the policeman and fireman of the city who performs the most conspicuous act over and above the line of duty during the year.

DAIRY THE DAIRY

SAVING MADE BY BALANCED RATION

Balancing up the ration which he was feeding to his cows made a difference of \$46.46 a month to one Moultrie county, Illinois, dairyman whose case is cited by dairymen at the college of agriculture, University of Illinois, as evidence that it pays to make sure that dairy cows are getting the right kinds and amounts of feeds. When this dairyman entered his eight Jersey cows in the County Dairy Herd Improvement association he was feeding every cow equal parts of a ration consisting of two parts ground corn and one part ground oats supplemented with alfalfa hay and corn silage. The production for the first month the cows were in the association was 2,404 pounds of milk containing 113 pounds of butterfat worth \$50.42. The feed which the cows ate was worth \$65.96, which meant a loss of \$15.54 without considering any expense other than feed.

Upon the advice of P. J. Smith, tester in the County Herd Improvement association, this member added one-half part of soy bean meal to the ration he had been feeding and cut down the amount of grain and silage to a little more than one-half what it had been. The next month the feed bill on his cows was \$43.16, a saving of \$22.80 compared to the previous month. Furthermore, on the balanced ration, the same eight cows increased their production to 3,597 pounds of milk containing 171 pounds butterfat worth \$7.05 or \$23.86 more than the previous month. This increased value of the butterfat and the \$22.80 saving in feed costs made a total improvement of \$46.46.

Another member of the same association fed his cows \$22.84 worth of clover hay, corn, oats, bran and oil meal during one month and got only 915 pounds of milk containing 46.8 pounds of butterfat worth \$19.14 in return, a loss of \$3.70. The following month a new cow was added to the herd and each cow was fed according to her production. The feed cost was increased only 86 cents to a total of \$23.70, while the production of the three cows was 1,844 pounds of milk containing 94.4 pounds of butterfat worth \$40.47, or a profit of \$16.77. The total improvement of \$20.47, which came as a result of changing a loss of \$3.70 into a profit of \$16.77, was accomplished by feeding the surplus feed which the two cows had been receiving to a third cow.

Money Is Well Spent in Feeds for the Dry Cows

Time was when the dry cow did not get any grain feed, or at best only a small percentage of her usual amount. But that time is past and practical dairymen agree that money spent on feed for the dry cow is money well invested.

Veterinary people say that the blood passing from the heart to the udder carries the food elements which go to make milk. They also tell us that when the cow becomes dry this blood stream turns to the foetus and this same food supply goes to build up and nourish the body of the unborn calf. During the last three months before freshening, about 65 per cent of the development of the calf takes place. What then will be the result if the feed of the dry cow is materially reduced? It means that in order for a cow to freshen in good condition, maintain her original weight and go through her lactation period doing her best, she must be fed enough to put on 75 to 100 pounds of flesh. If an amount of feed for this purpose is not fed, the cow will take flesh from her own back for the nourishment of the foetus and will be thin and in poor condition at time of freshening.

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Dairy Notes

Calves should have salt as soon as they begin to eat hay and grain.

Feed left in the trough spoils the cow's appetite for the next meal.

A cost sheet is a necessity in any business. Your milk sheet is your cost sheet.

The cow producing five gallons of milk daily cannot maintain her production long without some concentrated feed.

Nearly all feeds are selling at 50 per cent of their former value and liberal feeding makes dairying a good business.

Unclean surroundings are detrimental to the milk flow, for milk absorbs flavors and odors readily.

Silage fed to cows an hour before milking leaves an odor in the milk. Better feed it after milking, experienced dairymen agree.

It pays to use pure-bred dairy sties. South Dakota State college has found that their use on scrub or grade cows increases production in the first cross about 87 per cent.

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REGULAR BASKETBALL SEASON CLOSURES FOR SIKESTON FRIDAY

The regularly scheduled basketball season will be brought to a close, on Friday night, when the Bulldogs and Bullets go to Poplar Bluff to play the Poplar Bluff Mules and Zippers.

These will not be the last games of the season for the local teams, however, as the boys are entered in an invitational tournament to be played at Caruthersville, February 15 and in the Sikeston invitational tournament February 22. They are also entered in the Scott County Tournament at Benton, March 4 and 5 and will probably go to the Cape District Tournament, March 11 and 12.

The girls have the Scott County Tournament, March 4 and 5 to look forward to and the Southeast Missouri Tournament at Sikeston March 1 and 12. This latter will be the feature event of the local season, the 16 best teams in this section being invited to compete.

Mrs. Naomi Morgan, of St. Louis, field representative of Union Missionary Association Homes, was a Sikeston visitor Monday and Tuesday, soliciting financial support for that cause. She is a Baptist preacher by profession having graduated from William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo., and regularly ordained.

COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS SOON

The annual Scott County Basketball Tournaments for boys and girls will be held at the Community Hall in Benton, March 3, 4 and 5, it was decided at a meeting of the Scott County High School Association at Benton, Saturday morning.

The tournament will get under way Thursday night and will continue until Saturday night, when the finals of boys' and girls' tournament will be played. Louie Meyer of Campbell and Paul Haman of Benton were selected as the officials and they will make all star team selections. The tournament drawing was made Saturday morning, resulting in the following schedule:

Thursday Night
7:00—Boys: Chaffee plays Blodgett.

8:00—Girls: Blodgett plays Oran.

9:00—Boys: Diehlstadt plays Benton.

10:00—Girls: Illmo plays Chaffee.

Friday Morning
8:00—Boys: Morley plays Illmo.

9:00—Girls: Morley plays winner of Illmo-Chaffee game.

10:00—Boys: Sikeston plays winner of Chaffee-Blodgett game.

11:00—Girls: Sikeston plays Diehlstadt.

Friday Afternoon
1:30—Boys: Losers Morley-Illmo play losers of Sikeston-Chaffee or Blodgett.

2:30—Boys: Winners Diehlstadt-Benton play Vanduser.

3:30—Girls: Vanduser plays Benton.

4:30—Boys: Fornfelt plays Oran.

Saturday morning: 3 games.

Saturday afternoon: 2 games.

Saturday night: 3 games, including the boys' and girls' championship games.

In the event of a girls' tie game, an extra 3-minute period will be played.

KEASLER-MARTIN

Miss Addis Martin of Morehouse and Jim Keasler of Sikeston were married December 11, in Marion, Illinois, friends learned today. Miss Martin is teaching in the Morehouse Public Schools and expects to finish out the school term. Mr. Keasler is employed by the American Railroad Express Company. The young couple expect to make their home in Sikeston for the present.

An American newspaperman in Moscow was assessed a duty of \$11 a tube on tooth paste. He contributed the past to the Russian Government and now cleans his teeth with ashes.

The Standard \$1.50, per year.

REGS POTASHNICK WEDS FORMER TEACHER

Reginald Potashnick, son of Mr. and Sam Potashnick, and Miss Uline Fenwick, daughter of Judge and Mrs. J. F. Fenwick of Perryville, were married Thursday evening at 6:30 at the First Presbyterian Church of St. Louis by the Rev. Fowle. Attending the bride, was her sister, Miss Clotilda Fenwick; Charles L. Blanton, Jr., acting as best man. Mr. Potashnick was accompanied to the city by C. L. Blanton, Jr., J. Ernest Harpere, Byron Bowman and Clay Stubbs.

Following the wedding ceremony, the bride and groom left for Chicago on their wedding trip. They will be at home in Sikeston about February 20th.

Miss Fenwick is a talented and attractive young lady and is well known here in Sikeston, where for three years, she was a member of the faculty of the high school. She later taught for a year in the St. Louis schools. She is a graduate of Christian College, Columbia.

Reginald Potashnick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Potashnick, attended school at Western Military Academy, Alton, Ill., and is at present engaged in handling a number of contracts for the E. E. Hudson Co.

BIG ADVANTAGES OF FALL CALVES

There are a number of advantages in having dairy calves dropped in the fall. Cows which freshen in the fall usually produce more milk than cows which freshen at other seasons of the year. Heifers are usually bred so that they will come in milk at two years of age. If they are fall calves they will mature at the proper season. Calves which are to be raised on skim milk can be kept growing nicely during the winter and turned out on pasture without checking their growth. The disadvantages of feeding and care in winter are more than offset by the annoyance from flies and hot weather which are experienced by the spring calves. In addition there is usually more time available for giving the calves proper attention in the winter.

Clean pails for feeding and clean barns for housing are two important essentials in raising the calves. The calves will need to have a stall or lot where they can get plenty of sunshine. If the calves are confined to a dirty, dark stall they are apt to become unthrifty.

Calves should have their mothers' milk when they are started on feed. Whole milk should be continued for the first month and gradually shifted to skim milk. The calves should be given grain as soon as they will eat it. If a little cracked corn is placed in the bottom of the milk pails the calves will soon acquire a taste for it. The amount of milk and grain should always be limited. Better results are obtained if the calves are kept hungry.

An abundance of clean water should be accessible at all times or available at frequent intervals. Good hay should be provided. Many people favor mixed hay for calves as it is less apt to cause scours than alfalfa hay. However, good results can be had in feeding alfalfa hay if it is fed in limited quantities so that the calves will not gorge themselves. If any scours appear, the hay should be changed and special attention paid to cleanliness of both the stalls and milk pails. Sanitation, feeding and housing are the important details in raising fall calves successfully.

Dairymen Gains Much by Better Feeding Methods

That ground corn and ground oats make a dairy cow ration that is far superior to broken ear corn has been strikingly demonstrated in the case of one Knox county (Ill.) dairy herd, says C. S. Rhode, dairy extension specialist of the college of agriculture, University of Illinois, who has charge of the county dairy herd improvement associations in the state. The owner of this Knox county herd increased his profits \$27.74 during one month by changing from a feed of broken ear corn to one of ground corn and ground oats, Fred Shipley, tester in the county herd improvement association, reported. With the change in the ration came an increase in the average production of each cow for the month of 100 pounds of milk and 6.7 pounds of butterfat.

The ration was improved both by grinding the corn and by adding the ground oats, Rhode explained. The benefits of grinding in this case are in line with the results of experimental work and the experiences of practical dairymen, according to Rhode. Dairy cows are hard-working animals and they will give better results if such feeds as corn, oats and barley are given to them in the ground form, he added.

The adulteration of wine was punishable by death in Germany in 1752.

Pigeons in search of gravel are damaging the masonry of some of London's public buildings.

'Gentlemen are reminded that they are not allowed to dine in this hall wearing what are vulgarly known as plus-fours and Oxford bags.'—Notice posted at Oxford University.

ORCHARD GLEANINGS

EARLY OVERHAUL HELPS SPRAYING

Defective spray machines cause big losses of time and materials to growers each year. Low pressure, due to worn pumps or to faulty operation of engines, and delays while repairs are being made, can be largely avoided by thoroughly overhauling the sprayer during the winter months, suggests A. Freeman Mason, extension specialist in fruit growing, New Jersey College of Agriculture. The grower or an experienced mechanic should make a careful examination of the machine and repair or replace all worn parts, and give the rig a general cleaning and overhauling.

The engine valves should be ground, new piston rings installed if compression is weak, bearings adjusted, batteries, coils, spark-plugs, and wires tested, and dirt and grease removed with gasoline or kerosene.

The pump generally will need most attention. Place new packing in the boxes, replace plunger washers on the pistons, or replace pistons if the old ones are worn or scored. Valve seats should be turned over or replaced. If balls are worn down or scored they should be removed. Clean and grease all moving parts on the pressure regulator, placing new packing in the stuffing box at the top of the stem and a new rubber diaphragm at the base if this type of regulator is used. Bearings on the pump and agitator should be examined and replaced or tightened as needed, new packing placed in the boxes, and any broken paddles replaced.

All hoses should be tested at a somewhat higher pressure than is to be used in the field. A new brass or copper strainer should go on the suction hose and on the strainer box in the filling vent. Examine hose connections and repair leaky ones; clean guns and nozzles; and install new disks. Paint the entire sprayer with a high grade paint.

An ample supply of repair parts should be on hand for use in case of emergencies. Most needed of these are valve seats, packing, plunger washers, new pump pistons, hose connection clamps and bolts, spark-plugs and coils. With these precautions taken, the grower may face the spraying season with but little apprehension.

Protecting Fruit Trees From Injury in Winter

That mice injury to fruit trees occurs nearly every winter, says J. H. Gourley, horticulturist at the Ohio experiment station, is indicated by the annual call for information on bridge grafting of girdled trees.

Protecting the trees and destroying the rodents are recommended as much cheaper than repairing damage or possibly losing trees.

The first means of protection is to clear up litter about the base of trees. Long, uncut grass, or the piling of fodder, straw, hay, or other material against the tree, provides an ideal harbor for mice and other rodents. A clear area should be maintained around the tree trunk.

A mechanical barrier or protection for young trees is an excellent precaution, particularly in old orchards. Paper tied about the tree trunk is usually effective, but must be removed in the spring.

Hardware cloth makes a more or less permanent protection until the trees are of a size to be reasonably free from attack, although old trees are sometimes girdled.

Thoroughly Remove Dead or Injured Peach Twigs

Some of the smaller fruiting twigs of the peach naturally die as the tree develops and fruits. Those near the base of the tree begin to die first, followed later by others higher up through the top of the tree. At times, weather, spray, brown rot, mechanical injuries and other factors, greatly add to the normal number. All such twigs should be thoroughly pruned off during each dormant season. Even though there may be some question as to whether they reduce the vigor and vitality of the tree to any measurable extent, they most certainly interfere with the operations of spraying, thinning, and harvesting and are the direct cause of many scratches and blemishes upon the fruit, particularly where the orchard is in an exposed location. In addition, they attract orchard pests, such as bark beetles.

Fruiting twigs and branches that may not be dead but are seriously girdled or weakened by spray burning so that they cannot produce large fruits, should be pruned off or cut back to stimulate growth.

Mulching Plum Trees

Mulching the plum trees after the ground is thoroughly frozen may save the plum crop from freezes late in the spring, says A. L. Ford, extension specialist in horticulture at South Dakota State college. Ordinarily plums blossom too early in South Dakota. A mulch in the fall will keep them dormant for a longer period in the spring and may retard the bloom until after the critical frost period. This mulch should be applied around the base of the tree.

SKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

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Nobody likes to pay taxes, but without taxes we couldn't have the public improvements. We are told that no household goods in Skeston in any home are assessed for more than \$250. This is one of the reasons the City of Skeston ran \$6000 in the hole in 1926. Not the smallest home in the city but what has more than \$250 invested in household goods. To be sure, sold at auction or to the second-hand man, they would bring little, but if all personal assessments were doubled, they would not be out of line and might give us the needed revenue. This will be an unpopular paragraph, but is cold facts.

The report of the Police Judge shows that Skeston must be an exceptionally law-abiding city as but ten fines were assessed during the month of January and the cash placed in the city treasury amounted to \$58. To get all this money there was paid out to officers \$325 during the month. This looks like one day officer and one night officer should be sufficient. The matter of a few recent hold-ups here in the city mean nothing as they were committed when no officer was around, and no officer knew who did the jobs, hence they couldn't arrest anyone.

George White's Scandals, who exhibited their bodies at Cairo, have torn their shirts with the lovers of the nude art, by not coming clean at their Sunday evening performance, but appearing in cheap tights. However, one eye full of their forms would attract little more attention thereafter, than so many of Jim Klein's fat heifers should they parade down the street. It's all in one's mind!

The Standard believes the ten-foot strip ceded by the Missouri Pacific to Skeston can be paved by popular subscription. Mr. Simpson of the Texaco Oil Station, states that he will give the first hundred dollars. This should be placed before the Board of Aldermen at its next meeting so a committee can be appointed to raise the money, and do it now.

Considerable talk was indulged in at the City Hall, Monday evening, among those assembled and waiting for the Board to convene, of attempting to make the vagrant law stick with some of the gentlemen of leisure who have no outward means of support, but dress well and toil not.

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A WORD FOR THE PARSON

Picking on the parson is one of the favorite indoor sports in many American homes, and not infrequently the preacher is a convenient object of criticism for a Monday morning editorial. He is condemned if he does and condemned if he doesn't. Now a newspaper takes up valuable editorial space to speak a good word for the parson, and The Reformer Church Messenger appreciatively reprints it. Says the Baltimore Evening Sun:

"In this day of spiritual searching the parson has come in for no little criticism. Perhaps he deserves it, but, on the other hand, it is about time to receive a word of sympathy. His task is difficult, for no matter which way he turns he meets with objections from some part of his flock.

"If the parson takes a narrow view of religion, he is accused of bigotry; if he takes a broad view, he is suspected of heresy. If he asks for money, he is charged with worldliness; if he doesn't ask for it, his church falls to pieces. If he preaches on his congregation, he risks the reputation of being a bore; if he doesn't pay calls, he is charged with indifference. If he indorses movies, oyster suppers and bowling alleys in the basement, the conservatives protest; if he sticks to services only, the boosters howl. If he introduces innovations in his sermon, he is called sensational; if he confines himself to the beatitudes, he is condemned for his platitudes. If he specializes on the Sunday school, the choir resents it; if he specializes on the choir, the Sunday school blows up.

"In the old days the parson had a ready weapon. He alone could offer the benediction and the absolution. Nowadays very few in the congregation know what either means. Most of them imagine their sins are washed away by the simple process of dropping a quarter in the collection plate. Like the schoolmaster's birch, the parson's big stick has been supplanted by psychology, and no psychology yet discovered has the power to wash away sins.

Mrs. W. H. Dickerson, 62 years old, was found dead in bed Friday morning. She had made preparations to visit her granddaughter at Blodgett, who is very ill with tuberculosis. At 3:20 a. m. she awakened her husband, asking the time and declaring it "seemed time to get up", so eager was she to go. Not until he attempted to reawaken her at 5 a. m. was her death discovered.

Just a couple of suggestions how a little more revenue could be gathered into the City treasury. Raise the poll tax, now \$2, to \$4 as in the country, and collect it. If a man does not show his receipt, prevent him voting. Last year but \$1,098 dollars was collected on poll taxes, when it should have been three times that much. The City ordinance call for auto license to be half that paid the State. The State license on a Ford car is \$10.50 and the city license, \$3; a loss of \$2.25 on each license. On larger and higher priced cars, the license is much higher. A lot of small things will total a large sum if collected. Since the women have been given the right of franchise, there is no reason in the world why they should not pay poll tax and have her receipt before allowed to vote and stand on the same equality of a man.

Our Mr. Washburn at Jefferson City voted for the Anti-Evolution Bill and is to be congratulated on his stand. We don't know whether he knew what it was all about or whether he was afraid he would be put in a cage at the State Capitol with other exhibits in case it went the other way. Anyway, we are with him on this broad-minded vote.

NEW MADRID COUNTY
FARM BUREAU NEWS

Agricultural leaders from the cotton producing counties of Southeast Missouri will meet here Wednesday, February 16, for an all-day conference to consider the business side of farming in this section of the state. Invitations have been extended to the officials of leading farm organizations, business organizations, country bankers and others interested in the farm problem, according to Scott M. Julian, County Extension Agent of this county, who is in charge of the general arrangements for the conference.

Those taking part in the conference from the College of Agriculture and associated agencies will be F. L. Thomson, Assistant Professor of Agriculture Economics; H. C. Hensley, Extension Specialists in Marketing; Frederick Dunlap, Extension Forester, and E. A. Logan, Agricultural Statistician, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The entire Agricultural Outlook will be discussed as follows:

Purpose and scope of the Agricultural Outlook.

The General Agricultural Situation Domestic Demand, Foreign Demand, Agricultural Credit, Farm Labor and Equipment.

Beef Cattle and Sheep Outlook.

Dairy Outlook.

Poultry and Egg Outlook.

Wheat Outlook.

Strawberry and Grape Outlook.

Apple Outlook.

Hay, Oats and Feed Outlook.

Cotton, Watermelon and Cantaloupe Outlook.

Irish and Sweet Potato Outlook.

Forestry Outlook.

Horse and Mule Outlook.

Sweet Clover Pasture Feeds Cattle,

Sheep and Hogs

Wonderful livestock pasturage can be secured from sweet clover in Southeast Missouri, according to the following report made by John A. Montgomery and son of Dexter.

"We pastured this six acre field all fall with ten gilts and eight lambs and part of the time had eight cows on the pasture also", he said. And a pasture that carries three to four head per acre the first fall is quite a feed producer. Mr. Montgomery added: "We had no trouble in teaching our cattle, sheep and hogs to eat the new legume. The cows are especially fond of it. They eat it so greedily that we were soon forced to take them off of it in order to permit the clover to make a little growth.

This sweet clover pasture demonstration on their Walnut Lane Farm was put in a year ago under the direction of Ide P. Trotter, Soils and Crops Specialist of the Missouri College of Agriculture. The spring being rather hot and dry, Mr. Montgomery reported, "we only have about sixty per cent of a stand", but his results were fine nevertheless. He stated, "We are mighty well pleased with our field". And he proved it by reporting additional seedings of sweet clover.

In discussing this report, Trotter stated that sweet clover could be grown successfully in many parts of Southeast Missouri. It will not succeed where the soil is sour, however, and so failure will follow many spring seedings where grown in sour land. A conference with the local county extension agent is suggested as the quickest and most satisfactory way to get reliable advice on the value and place of this important pasture crop.

Eggs preserved by a new process for a period of fourteen weeks produced chickens that were strong and healthy.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL
FROM MATTHEWS

The Christian Ladies' Aid served lunch Saturday at the sale of Mr. Johnson, living near Morehouse. The ladies realized a very neat sum from the lunch sale.

The following surprised Mrs. J. R. King with a dinner Thursday, each one taking a well filled basket for the occasion: Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane and children, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sibley and sons, Mrs. L. F. Swartz and children.

Mrs. Frank Ratcliff was called to Evansville, Ind., Saturday on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Hattie Evans.

Mrs. Ben Sells is still in Portageville nursing Miss Mollie Bloomfield. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Jones attended the sale here, Friday.

Mrs. George Cooley left Saturday for Detroit, Mich., to join her husband, who is employed at that place.

Mrs. Frank Parsons was called to Indianapolis, Ind., Saturday. Mrs. Parsons received a telegram stating that her aunt was dangerous ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams and children, and L. O. Harper were Charleston visitors, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alsop motored to New Madrid and Lilbourn Saturday on business.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones, a baby boy.

Constable W. H. Deane arrested a negro Saturday for stealing corn from B. F. Swartz. The negro could not give bond, so was taken to New Madrid and put in jail to await his preliminary hearing held here Tuesday before Justice of Peace, Ben Sells. William Deane and Alfred Byrd accompanied Mr. Deane to New Madrid.

The New Madrid basketball teams played here Friday evening. The score of the boys' game was 34-4 in favor of Matthews. The girls' score 12-4 in favor of Matthews. Warren Kingsbury of Skeston refereed for the games.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Englehart and little daughter spent the week-end in Cape Girardeau.

Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele and sons were Cape Girardeau visitors, Wednesday of last week.

Rev. Cannady filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele, Frank Sibley and L. F. Swartz shopped in Skeston, Saturday.

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Eleven-cent cotton and ten-dollar pants,

Who in the devil has got a chance? We can't buy clothes, we can't buy meat,

Got too much cotton and not enough to eat.

Losing our credit and ruining our health;

Can't help each other, what shall we do?

I can't solve the problem, so it's up to you,

Eleven-cent cotton and a carload of tax,

The load's too heavy for our poor backs;

We've a good set of farmers, we all know well,

But there's something wrong as sure as—

We all worked hard, we all groaned and sweat,

Now we are all ruined and a blowed up set,

No use talkin, any man's beat,

With eleven-cent cotton and forty-cent meat.—Virginia Brown, in Shreveport, La., Times.

Our Mr. Bailey failed to vote for the Public Building Bill as passed in the House last week that gives Skeston a small public building, though it passed by more than a two-thirds majority. No reason is given. The rural districts seldom ever see where a penny of their taxes go, unless some pork barrel legislation is passed, and then they can "point with pride" that Uncle Sam recognizes their importance with a postoffice building.

Citizens in Gloucester Township, Quebec, who do not pay their taxes are not permitted to vote.

When Robert Lockhart of Dunfermline, Scotland, tried to play golf in Central Park, New York, in 1888, he was arrested.

VETERANS' LOAN BILL
IS PASSED IN HOUSE

Washington, February 7.—Less than a half hour after it was called up, the House today passed the Green bill to enable world war veterans to obtain loans direct from the Veterans' Bureau on adjusted service certificates. The measure was sent to the Senate without a record vote. It would authorize the bureau to make loans at 6 per cent at its various offices and hospitals. To finance the loans an appropriation of \$25,000,000 would be authorized from the government life insurance fund, this to be repaid upon maturity of the loans.

Representative Schafer (Rep.) Wisconsin, objected to consideration under rules prohibiting the offering of amendments, while Representative Linthicum of Maryland, ranking Democrat of Mississippi, and Blanton (Dem.) of Texas declared a lower interest rate should be charged. They contended the veterans should not be forced to pay a higher rate than the government charges foreign nations on world war debts.

The loafing habit among young men should be discouraged as much as possible for the bad example it sets for boys. Those who are financially able to loaf seldom ever are caught idle. It is those who should be following some honorable calling, but are living by some unknown method, that is so demoralizing to the youth. The crap shooter, the bootlegger, and his ilk, should do some work at least, to hide his real calling.

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are authorized to announce Jno. H. Goodin as a candidate for re-election to the office of Superintendent of Schools for Scott County, subject to the will of the voters at the April election.

Notice of Final Settlement

Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, Ben J. Welter of the estate of John Welter, Sr., deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with said estate as such Administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri, to be held at Benton in said county, on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1927.

BEN J. WELTER, Administrator.

Announcement Notice

C. B. Watson and Frank G. Zillmer hereby notify the public that C. B. Watson has purchased the interest of Frank G. Zillmer in the Watson-Zillmer stores, located at Skeston and Morehouse, Mo., assuming all the partnership debts of all businesses, and Mr. Watson announces that hereafter the businesses will be conducted under the name of Watson Stores Co.

They wish to thank all for their past patronage and Mr. Watson solicits the continuance of their trade and the trade of all those who appreciate courteous treatment, the use of first class goods and the saving of money.

Dated January 25, 1927.

C. B. WATSON
FRANK G. ZILLMER

Notice of Administration

Notice Is Hereby Given, That Letters of Administration on the estate of Katherine S. Duncan, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 2th day of January, 1927, by the Probate Court of Scott County, Missouri.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if such claim be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they shall be forever barred.

S. P. BRITE, Administrator.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Probate Court of Scott County.

(SEAL)
THOS. B. DUDLEY,
Probate Judge.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by William H. Tanner, and his wife, Rivers Tanner, dated February Twentieth, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Four, and recorded on the Twenty-Sixth day of February, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Four in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 45, at Page number 79, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of lot number Eleven (11) in Block number Fifty-seven (57) in McCoy and Tanner's Ninth Addition to the City of Skeston, Missouri, according to the recorded plat thereof and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH, 1927 between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. of said day sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the Front Door of the Post Office in the Town or City of Skeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

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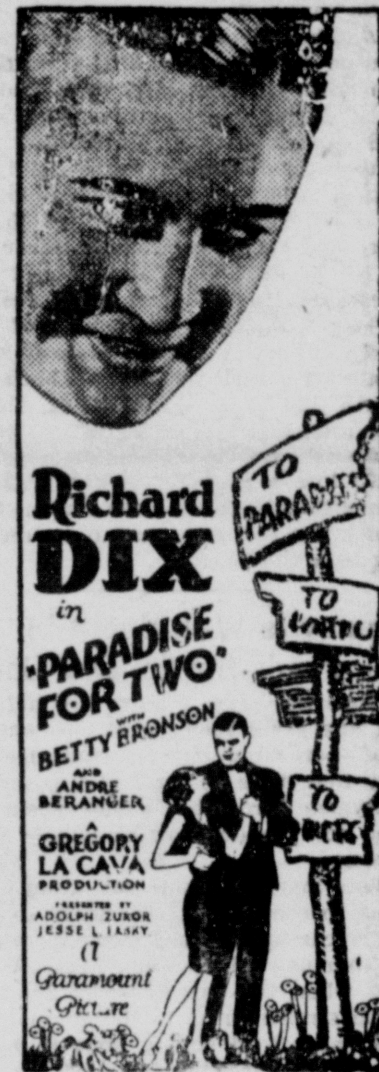


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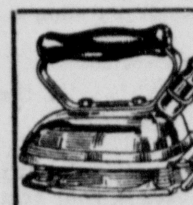
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NEWS LETTER FROM GENERAL ASSEMBLY

By J. S. Hubbard, Executive Sec. Mo. Press Association

Jefferson City, February 5.—With the session almost half gone the General Assembly is making creditable progress as compared with the session two years ago. During the past week five appropriation bills were passed by the House and are now in the hands of the Senate Committee. Other appropriation bills are being acted on as rapidly as possible and some are on the calendar for disposal the coming week.

The bills passed provide for the payment of interest on state school and Seminary funds; payment of soldier bonus bonds falling due and interest thereon; principal and interest on state road bonds; providing that one-third of the state revenue shall be paid into the state public school fund, and providing funds to pay for assessing and collecting revenue.

Much interest is being taken in the proposed bond issue of one hundred and twenty million dollars additional for speeding up road construction. The plan is to use \$60,000,000 to complete the present program and a like amount to be distributed to the counties and the city of St. Louis, no county to receive less than \$150,000. It is estimated that the system can be completed by 1933 with no additional tax.

Senator J. G. Morgan of the Unionville Republican, who was co-author of the Morgan-McCullough road law, takes a different view which he expressed in a speech broadcasted from WOS Friday night. He believes in the pay-as-you-go plan for future road work. He insists that there will be available from this time on at least fifteen million dollars annually for road construction above all overhead expenses. It is estimated that while this will put off the completion of the present system for a few years it will make possible continuous construction for many years, whereas the other plan would stop all road building in 1933, unless steps were taken to provide more funds in some other way, as the income from automobile licenses and gasoline taxes would all be used to pay off the bonds.

The proposal for a bond issue is in the form of a joint and concurrent resolution, submitting the question to the voters of the state, and many are urging that the question be submitted at a special election. The same resolution has been introduced in each House.

The proposal of Representative Whitecotton of Monroe county to pension farmers after they are 65 years of age has been favorably reported from the House Committee on Constitutional amendments. It is on the calendar for engrossment.

A crowded house is expected on Tuesday when the evolution bill is a special order for engrossment. Started apparently as a joke, though introduced seriously by its sponsors, the bill has attracted attention all over the state and promises much oratory for and against.

It is understood that the Senate is contemplating an investigation of the financial operations of every state department. The investigation is supposed to be aimed especially at Secretary of State Becker for the deposit of automobile funds in the Englewood bank and at State Auditor Thompson, who, as State Treasurer, placed funds in the Holland bank at Springfield. While all but \$270,000 of the latter funds have been recovered it is

claimed by Senator Cave and other leaders that the state will lose \$100,000, unless steps are taken to collect through the bondsmen of the then state treasurer.

A concurrent resolution was passed in the House yesterday calling for a special committee to investigate the conduct of the state penitentiary. It contemplates a committee of three from each House evenly divided politically, and it is empowered to employ expert auditors and to go into all details of the work of the institution. The sum of \$20,000 is provided for the work, to be paid for equally from the contingent funds of the House and Senate.

The Senate Criminal Code Committee has reported favorably on 25 measures urged by the Missouri Association for Criminal Justice. Among the proposition receiving favorable consideration were those providing home rule for the police departments of St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph; electrocution instead of hanging for first degree murder; reducing the membership of the state prison board from five to four; giving prosecuting attorneys the right to comment on the failure of a defendant to take the witness stand in his own defense, and several minor changes in the code.

The Governor's tax bill, providing for the taxation of tobacco and amusements has been made a special order for engrossment in the House on Thursday, February 10. It seems quite likely that the amusement tax feature will be eliminated in an effort to make the bill satisfactory to the majority. It is thought the measure may get through the House, but doubt is expressed as to its fate in the Senate.

The House has engrossed the bill providing for free and uniform text books in the schools of the state and creating a state text book commission of five members, including the state superintendent of schools.

A bill introduced by Representatives Wilson, Bamber and Heege of St. Louis county, creating three divisions of the circuit court in this county and adding one additional judge, was passed on Thursday in the House.

Representative Freeland's expense bill, giving the State Auditor more authority to pass on expenses of state employees, was passed by the House.

By the passage of a bill in the House, introduced by Representative Duensing, cities of the Fourth class would be authorized to vote for bonds for public parks.

The House passed the bill by Representative Roney, repealing the statute which provides that a will made by an unmarried woman is nullified as soon as she marries.

The bill by Representative Cross, providing a yearly salary for the court reporter in the Cape Girardeau court of common pleas was passed by the House.

The Senate Committee on Roads and Highways, has prepared a substitute for Senate Bill No. 26, which would place the motor busses operating in Missouri under the control of the public service commission, and has recommended it for passage. The principal changes provide for an increase in the license fees over the original bill. Under the substitute, busses hauling seven passengers or less would pay \$35; seven to twelve, \$57.50; 12 to 18, \$105; 18 to 24, \$135; 24 and up, \$172.50. It is fur-

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| 1 Sunflower Huller, No. 36 | 1 Deering Corn Harvester |
| | 1 Lot Leather Horse Collar, and Harness |
| | 1 14 in Oliver Gang Plow |
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ther provided that these fees are to remain in force until January, 1929, when they will be increased, to \$40, \$90, \$140, \$180, and \$230, respectively.

Favorable report has been made of the bill by Representative Page requiring the University, School of Mines and the State Teachers' Colleges to deposit all fees collected with the state treasurer. The aim is to give the auditing department a check on receipts and expenditures of these institutions which are not now required to turn in their fees.

The Appropriations committee has reported out favorably the bills providing funds for the Eleemosynary institutions. The amounts provided are as follows: Hospital No. 1, Fulton, \$77,400; No. 2, St. Joseph, \$123,900; No. 3, Nevada, \$96,000; No. 4, Farmington, \$78,200 Missouri

State School (old colony for feeble minded) Marshall, \$354,700; Missouri state sanatorium, Mt. Vernon, \$269,500. The only building allowance made is \$9600 for the erection of tuberculosis cottages at Marshall.

The Committee on Agriculture of which Representative Kirchner is chairman, has reported favorably on the egg-grading bill after a public hearing which was largely attended.

The chiropractic bill, regulating practitioners by the state, has been engrossed.

The Joint and Concurrent resolution, providing for teacher retirement fund in the larger cities, has been reported out for passage in the House.

Representative Ray has introduced a Joint and Concurrent resolution in the House submitting to the voters a

proposition which would allow the general assembly to fix by law the amount to be paid legislators and employees.

Representative Whitecotton's Joint and Concurrent resolution, cutting the representative districts to 68, has been reported out unfavorably by the House committee.

COOLIDGE IS TOLD OF GERMANY'S RECOVERY

Washington, February 7.—Germany has made one of the greatest financial recoveries in history, J. B. Sterrett, retiring American member of the Transfer Committee, under the Dawes plan, told President Coolidge today during a discussion of the economic situation in Germany and other European countries. He believes the nations of the world should demand Germany's final indemnity and

thus aid her in a better arrangement of her resources.

"Two years ago the finances of Germany were in a state of utter desolation", Sterrett said upon leaving the White House. "She went on a gold basis, started saving and this year she will be able to pay her indemnity of \$375,000,000, while raising an internal loan of \$125,000,000. Her progress has been beyond belief."

"The Dawes plan contemplates Germany shall pay a war debt of \$625,000,000 a year for all eternity, as long as man is on the face of the earth. That, of course, cannot be done."

"Accordingly, the nations of the world, in a spirit of peace and conciliation, should sit down soon and determine Germany's final indemnity. The state of mind has prevented that in the past. All these matters are 75 per cent state of mind in 25 per cent of economies, and that state of mind

has progressively improved. The Dawes agreement was a manifestation of it. The Locarno pact was another forward step. It is a wonderful solvent."

"Passage of the alien property bill would be helpful. Germany knows these problems are not settled overnight, but failure of the bill to pass was the cause of some disappointment there."

When a child dies in some parts of Greenland, the natives bury a live dog with it to guide the child in the other world, as it is claimed dogs can find their way anywhere.

A Philadelphia policeman asked that he be demoted when he learned that his promotion to a lieutenant would mean parting with his horse, Dick. He had ridden the horse for 9 years and he would rather remain a sergeant and keep the horse than have all the honors of the force.

Local and Personal

J. H. Goodin of Benton spent Monday in Sikeston.

Alvin Taylor spent the first of the week in St. Louis.

Russell Pinnell of New Madrid was a Sikeston visitor, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Comer were visitors in Dexter, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Arthur of Poplar Bluff were in Sikeston, Monday.

L. D. Marlow, treasurer-elect of New Madrid County, was in Sikeston, Monday.

Miss Evelyn Tenkoff of Oran was the guest of Miss Vivian Jackson last week.

Mrs. J. Fred Bowman and son will go to Cape Girardeau Friday for a visit with relatives.

Miss Madge Davis will leave Friday to spend the week-end in Carbondale, Ill., with relatives.

Mrs. Wm. Masterson of Blodgett is visiting her son, Roy Masterson and other relatives in Sikeston.

Mrs. Lee Hummel and Mrs. Fred St. Mary of New Madrid motored to Sikeston, Monday afternoon.

James Matthews, Ralph Reed, Miss Francoise Black and Miss Lottie Dover drove to Poplar Bluff, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Johnson of Big Opening are the parents of a baby daughter, born February 2.

C. D. Matthews attended a meeting of the State Highway Commission at Jefferson City during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Darby and family and Miss Straudie Engram drove to Dexter Sunday for a visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beck were the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Johnson, in Big Opening, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruby Jackson will move from their present home to the McClure house on North Ranney street next week.

Miss Nell Yanson, who is attending the State Normal at Cape Girardeau, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Yanson, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. C. Rose and son are moving this week from their present location on Stoddard Street to the Keith property in the northeast portion of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tongate, Mrs. Chas. Scott, Mrs. Chas. Bowman and Mrs. Lon Swanner drove to Cape Girardeau, Saturday afternoon. They were accompanied home by Miss Beulah Swanner.

Five students from Martin, Ky., enrolled in the Telegraph Department of Chillicothe Business College last week, while more distant enrollments were two from the state of Louisiana and a sixth from Newburgh, N. Y.

WHY ADVERTISING PAYS

Of the business failures in thirty-two American cities last year 83.6 per cent were not newspaper advertisers, L. M. Barton, advertising manager of the Chicago Daily News, told members of the Advertising Club of Kansas City at a luncheon at the Hotel Baltimore.

Mr. Barton is the author of "A Study of Eight-one American Markets", a statistical survey which he compiled for all American cities having a population of more than 100,000. He now is engaged in the production of a second and more complete work which will supply statistical information concerning ninety-three market cities and the towns in their tributary territories. It is based upon researches covering more than three million wholesale and retail business enterprises.

"The background of newspaper advertising," he said today, "is public confidence. At the very outset your newspapers sell you the right to share in the confidence of their readers that they have built up by conscientious editorial effort. These readers respect their newspapers. They have a great degree of faith in anything that appears in the newspaper's columns. So, you see, all advertisers begin with everything in their favor. Their success depends upon how they regard this reader confidence that the newspaper turns over to them."

Mr. Barton branded as an abuse of advertising the practice of certain merchants in allowing favored customers to pick over articles for a sale before they are made available to the general public, which has been attracted to it by newspaper advertising.

In commenting upon the part played by newspaper advertising in the general economic problem of the country, Mr. Barton proved that advertising, by effecting a more rapid turnover in merchandise, made for lower prices.

"Advertising is the sure way of increasing sales and production without lowering quality," he explained. "It reduces selling costs. It shortens the time in which merchandise passes from the manufacturer or merchant to the consumer. It creates markets for merchandise that otherwise would not exist."

He highly commended the policies of large city newspapers in censoring advertising submitted to their columns. His axiom in this was "the more a newspaper respects its readers the more its readers respect it."

Mrs. Lucinda Bratton of Morehouse is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Scott.

C. W. Stevenson, a merchant of Libbourn, transacted business in Sikeston, Monday.

C. E. Brenton returned Monday from Kansas City Monday, where he had been on business.

WHAT TO EXPECT OF A PREACHER'S SON

"Well, what more could you expect? He's a preacher's son." So said Mrs. Grundy and her numerous family when the minister's son has fallen by the wayside. It is an all too common, but, fortunately, gradually disappearing, belief that most sons of the manse or rectory are black sheep and that most of them end their days in jail. A glance through the pages of "Who's Who" may convince even the most obstinate of their error. Further disproof of the popular belief is offered by Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes of the Methodist Episcopal Church, who in a recent address in Chicago before the Society of Ministers' Sons and Daughters took up the defense of minister's sons. Emphasis in a preacher's home is not placed on commercial success, he said, as he is quoted in the Chicago News; but he cited these sons of ministers as successful in the market place: Edward H. Harriman, Levi P. Morton, Cecil Rhodes, John F. Andrus, William C. Brown, John D. Archbold and Henry M. Flagler. Three of the six largest State universities, three of the six best-known women's colleges, two of the largest Presbyterian colleges, and the two greatest Baptist colleges, he said, are headed by preachers' children. Bishop Hughes gave also a long list of ministers' sons who have succeeded in art, literature, politics, statesmanship, in newspaper and magazine work, in poetry and in science and invention. Among the poets he cited Tennyson, Lowell, Holmes, Emerson, Lessing, Richard Watson Gilder and Henry Van Dyke. The first Atlantic cable, he notes, was laid by Cyrus W. Field, a preacher's son. The Wright brothers, the first to fly an airplane, came from a manse, as did Samuel F. B. Morse, who invented the telegraph. "No preacher's boy ever goes far into this life without doing something that displeases someone else," said Bishop Hughes.

"Immediately comes the taunt: 'And you a preacher's son!' One felt like having his privileges enlarged so he could either use a vigorous vocabulary or do a little vigorous fighting". Many papers are glad to contribute paragraphs to help discredit the belief that ministers' sons are a mischievous progeny. The St. Louis Globe-Democrat reminds us:

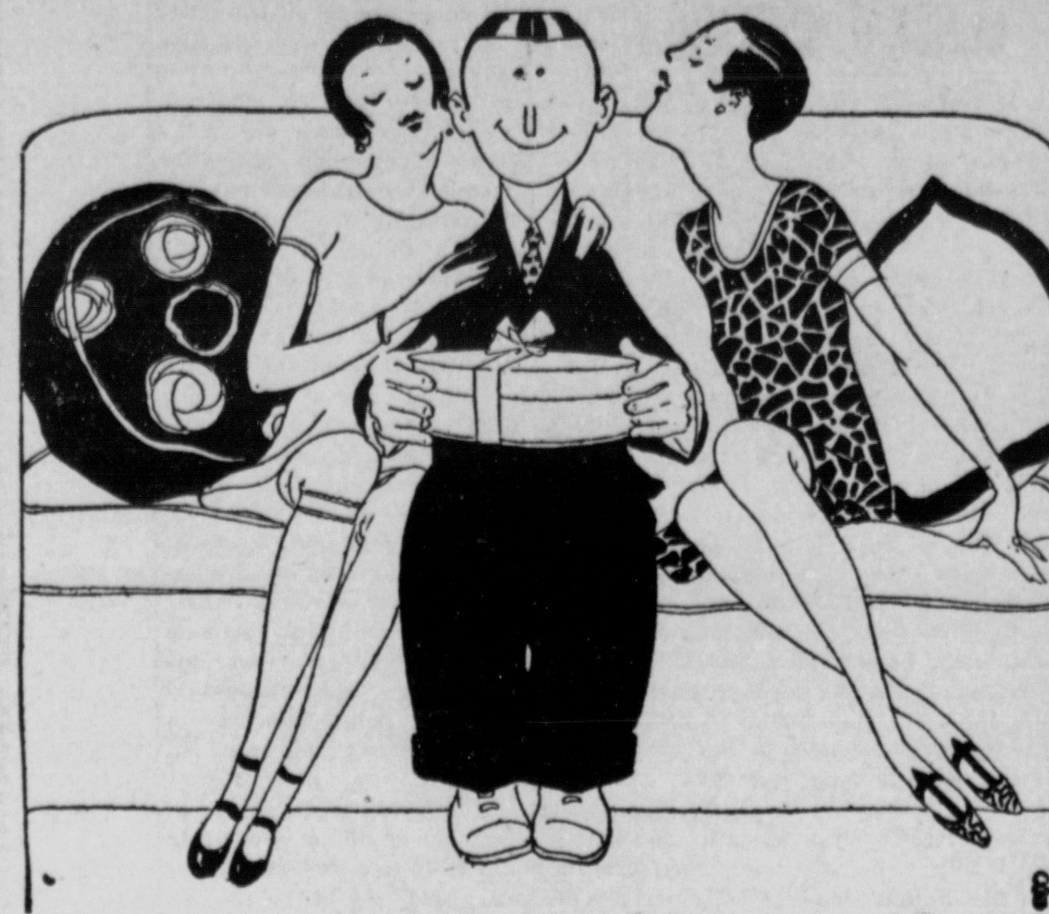
"Who's Who" supplies ample data with which the newly formed organization might explode the myth, not only as it applies to the sons of Methodist ministers, but to the sons of clergymen of other denominations. All persons sketched in the 1922-23 edition of this reference work of eminent men were asked to indicate the occupation of their fathers. It was found that no less than 2695, or 11 per cent, were preachers' sons. Still others mentioned that their fathers combined preaching with some other occupation. The census for the year 1870, the year nearest the birth of these notables, shows that clergymen comprised less than one-half of 1 per cent of all men. Upon this basis, it is calculated that clergymen fathered twenty-eight times the average number of notables, one Protestant minister in each fifteen having a child whose name later appeared in "Who's Who". In the same year business and professional men fathered seven and sixteen times, respectively, the average number of notables, or the number that might have been expected from their portion of the total population while farmers fathered less than their proportionate share, and unskilled laborers much less than farmers. Still more impressive is the statement that Protestant clergymen about 1870 contributed in proportion to their numbers about 2400 times as many eminent persons as did unskilled

Deservedly Popular

Any and every fellow with a life sized box of Whitman's Candies under his arm (label out), or on his lap, top side up, will be mighty popular St. Valentine's Day. Why? 'Cause it's the favorite candy of every girl in town.

Dudley's
Confectionery
Sikeston, Mo.

ATWATFR-KENT RADIOS



FLOWERS

SPORTING GOODS

ed laborers, thirty-five times as many as did farmers, four times as many as many as business men, and over twice as many as the average of other professional men.

"Indeed, it seems that the preachers' sons have done other well. In winning conspicuous success and distinction, they have done better than a great many other sons, and it is about time that the fallacy that they are 'ne'er-do-wells' was squelched". —Literary Digest.

WOMAN'S BACK BROKEN

Steele, Mo., February 5.—E. R. Hamilton, of Columbia, Mo., struck and probably fatally injured Mrs. Hugh Britton, 20, at about 5:30 this afternoon. Mrs. Britton, the wife of Hugh Britton, printer, of the Steele Enterprise, was walking along Highway No. 61 on her way home, when struck. Dr. J. W. Robbins states that it is impossible to tell at this time just how serious the injury may prove. The young woman is unconscious and it is thought that her back is broken. An ambulance was called at once and the patient rushed to the Blytheville Hospital.

Mr. Hamilton, in company with his wife, was driving south on his way to New Orleans when the accident happened. He had just passed a large car and in attempting to pass a Ford driven by O. D. Yeager, one of the high school faculty, he collided with Yeager's car and states he lost control of his own. The car passed completely over the young woman's body and was stopped several feet from the scene of the accident. Hamilton will be held pending an investigation and outcome of the injuries.

An almost unknown phenomenon of snow for Christmas was experienced by the people of Lisbon, Portugal last Christmas.

Science reports that the average American boy is two inches taller than the average American grandfather was as a boy.

In Bohemia the willow is said to be the tree on which Judas hanged himself, and it is supposed to have a special attraction for suicides.

After the heart muscle, the diaphragm muscle is the most important in the human body, as it is able to do all the breathing required to maintain life.

The preacher of a church in Houston, Texas, was arrested and fined \$25 for disturbing the peace by his loud and frequent hallelujahs. The neighbors could not sleep.

In Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming, bears climbing poles in search of honey or for the purpose of a view, are a continual cause of trouble on electric transmission lines.

The 'lung' of the gas meter that breathes in and out and measures the use of gas is made from sheepskin that has been especially prepared to make it impervious to the corrosive elements in gas.

The nickname 'Quakers' was originally applied to the Friends by Justice Bennett, a Derby, England, magistrate, in derision of George Fox, the founder, because he admonished the magistrate, to 'quake at the word of the Lord'.

The mirror was of great significance to the ancients. In Egypt, it was in the shape of the solar disk to indicate the connection between the mirror and the sun god; in China mirrors were placed in great numbers in graves; in Japan the mirror was part of the imperial insignia, along with the sword and the jewel.

3 DIE IN EXPLOSION AT CARUTHERSVILLE

Caruthersville, February 7.—Three men were killed and two or more seriously injured by an explosion, thought to have been a gasoline tank, on a derrick boat in the Mississippi River belonging to the adjacent Dillman Egg Case Co. factory.

The dead are: Alva Peppels, mill foreman; George Hart, laborer, and Harry Pulley, laborer, all of Caruthersville.

George McDaniel was injured and removed to the hospital at Blytheville, Ark. E. Campbell and a man named Wall also were reported seriously hurt. One woman is reported missing.

Noise of the explosion, which occurred at 9:15 a. m., was heard thru-out Caruthersville, seat of Pemiscot County. Its force broke a number of small windows in town and one large window on Main street, about five blocks from the boat. Company officers were unable to account for the cause.

The boat, about 110 feet long and 30 feet wide, was comparatively new, with a steel hull and built-in steel tank, measuring about 20x25 feet, for gasoline use d as fuel for the derrick motor. The boat is said to be a total loss.

Of American women over fifteen years of age one in four is a breadwinner.

Yale has made a woman a professor of psychiatric nursing, the first post of its kind to be created.

Mrs. W. H. Dickerson, 62 years old, was found dead in bed Friday morning. She had made preparations to visit her granddaughter at Blodgett, who is very ill with tuberculosis. At 3:20 a. m. she awakened her husband, asking the time and declaring it "seemed time to get up", so eager was she to go. Not until he attempted to reawaken her at 5 a. m. was her death discovered.

BAKING POWDER

Same Price for over 35 Years

25 ounces for 25 cents

Why Pay War Prices?

Our Government used millions of pounds

It is the belief along certain parts of the New England coast that a sick man cannot die until the ebb tide begins to flow.

The Hindus think it brings a person ill luck to be openly admired or praised, and a child admired too openly, will be hastily withdrawn, the mother often beating it to counteract the ill-omened admiration.

A traffic policeman of wood clothed in full uniform and helmet directs traffic twenty-four hours each day on a corner of a highway of Brandenburg Province.

The transmission of pictures between Boston and San Francisco in seven minutes is now possible at a rate of \$50, a telegraphic description being included.



A Welcome Gift BOXED STATIONERY

in assortments to meet every social requirement, as well as the limits of the amount you wish to spend, makes an especially welcome St. Valentine remembrance.

Phone 274

White's Drug Store

"The Best is None Too Good"



Perhaps More Than You Realize

You depend upon the Battery in your car much more than you realize. Without its ever-ready response to your demands driving would be far from the pleasure it is. We are equipped to keep your Battery at the top service mark.

Phone 50

Scott County Electric Co.

Texaco Corner



Naturally

You want your Photograph to look natural, yet you also want it to emphasize your good features. That is where our experience serves you.

Phone 173 Today for Appointment

VAN DYKE STUDIO

Full Measure Coal

Robinson Coal is full measure Coal, not only in the accurate weight we give you, but also in the amount of heat energy it delivers under the most trying condition. A certain way to learn about this coal satisfaction is to ORDER A TRIAL TON.

Phone 284

E. C. ROBINSON LUMBER CO.

N. E. Fuchs, Mgr.



Phone 284

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of City of Skeston, Mo., From July 1, 1926, to January 1, 1927.

GENERAL REVENUE FUND.

Cash balance July 1, 1926 \$ 1,102.01

Add Receipts.

Real estate taxes	\$14,682.99
Personal taxes	3,885.38
Poll taxes	464.00
Cemetery taxes	204.00
Merchant licenses	4,500.00
Merchants advalorem	4,804.57
	\$28,540.94

Police fines	722.00
Cemetery graves sold	59.50
Collection on water bills	6,149.44
Material sold, Water Department	441.70
Auto licenses	1,521.50
Dog licenses	64.00
Interest and clerk's cost	37.97
Interest on daily balances	8.40
Miscellaneous income	163.00
	\$37,708.45

Deduct Cash Disbursements.

Administrative expense	\$ 3,456.08
Police and fire	3,654.07
Street lighting	1,008.00
Street and sewer expense	5,530.97
Charities	95.31
Parks and recreation	303.50
Water Department expense	4,735.76
Cemetery upkeep	599.70
New sanitary sewer expense	150.65
Transfer to sinking fund	2,228.15
	\$21,762.19

Balance per books December 31, 1926	17,048.27
Outstanding check December 31, 1926	83.40
	\$17,131.67

SINKING FUND.

Cash balance July 1, 1926 \$ 7,640.41

Add Receipts.

Transferred from General Revenue Fund	\$ 2,228.15
Waterworks bond and interest paid on former report returned by Bank of Commerce, St. Louis	1,000.00
Interest on same	753.13
Interest on bank balances	66.05
	4,047.33

Less Cash Disbursements.

Street bonds paid	\$ 1,000.00
Fire Department bonds paid	1,000.00
Waterworks bonds paid	4,500.00
Interest paid on bonds	5,184.59
	11,684.59

Balance as per Books and Bank December 31, 1926	3.15
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SANITARY SEWER FUND.

Balance July 1, 1926 \$66,321.29

Interest received on bank balances 526.01

Less Cash Disbursements.

Wilcox & Berthe, engineers	\$ 2,819.88
Rowan & Rickard, contractors	45,165.12
Freight	99.00
M. A. Arterburn	448.00
Paul Bucholz	295.00
	\$48,827.00

Balance December 31, 1926	\$18,060.30
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BONDED INDEBTEDNESS.

Waterworks bonds outstanding at 5 per cent	\$16,500.00
Street Improvement bonds outstanding at 5 per cent	9,000.00
Fire Department bonds outstanding at 6 per cent	23,000.00
Sanitary Sewer bonds outstanding at 5 per cent	82,000.00
	\$130,500.00

JOHN G. FOX, City Clerk.

Local and Personal

The Co-Workers met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lyle Malone with Mrs. Malone and Mrs. J. M. Sitze as hostesses. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Florence Marshall and Miss Kate Austin.

Friends of Miss Lillian Bone, who has a position in Monroe, La., will be sorry to learn that she underwent an operation for appendicitis last week in a Hot Springs, Ark., hospital. R. K. Bone went down Saturday to be with his daughter a few days.

J. W. Stone returned Monday from a trip through Ohio.

Frank Van Horne transacted business in Benton, Wednesday.

Bob Bierschwal of New Madrid drove to Skeston, Wednesday.

Mrs. Bert Engram is quite ill with heart trouble at her home in this city.

George Benauer of St. Louis was a business visitor in Skeston, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Matthews were in Jefferson City and St. Louis this week.

Mrs. P. J. Kesling of Campbell is visiting her niece, Mrs. Claude Welch in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young left on Thursday for a few days' visit in Memphis, Tenn.

H. C. Kirkpatrick of Benton expects to move his family to Skeston some time next week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Young spent Wednesday in Cape Girardeau.

Mrs. J. W. Robertson and son spent last week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Frazier, in Farnfeld.

Mrs. Arnold Roth entertained the members of the Friday Afternoon Bridge Club, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blandford of Washington, Ind., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Wainman.

Mrs. Mollie Hunter of Morehouse was the guest of Mrs. Betty Matthews Saturday and Sunday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Sanders and children of Poplar Bluff were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Proffer, Sunday.

In the absence of W. H. Sikes from the Thursday luncheon, the Lions Club passed a resolution requesting the Lions to eat more sweet potatoes during the coming two years.

Major H. E. Dudley and Sergeant Max Jackson were in Doniphan Wednesday in the interest of the National Guards.

Mrs. Wm. Davis and Miss Ida Law of Pt. Pleasant were guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Albert Shields, Wednesday.

Friends have received word from Mrs. Wm. Vigal, who has been ill in St. Louis, this winter, that she is now improving.

Mrs. Jeff Hubbard, who has been quite ill at the home of Mrs. J. W. Robertson, returned to her home in Blodgett, last week.

Two car loads of hogs were shipped out of Skeston this week, one car by Roly McDonald and one by the Skeston Shipping Association.

Mr. and Mrs. John Corrigan and family of Poplar Bluff spent Sunday in Skeston with Mrs. Corrigan's mother, Mrs. Betty Matthews.

Miss Iris Pickel of Louisville, Miss., arrived in Skeston Sunday to assist Mrs. Ben Welter in the Elite Hat Shop during the spring season.

The Russell-Bradley Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. L. F. Mayfield, Thursday evening with Mrs. Mayfield and Mrs. F. L. Pittman as hostesses.

The Skeston High School boys defeated the Bertrand High School boys team Wednesday afternoon in a practice game that was slow and listless. The score was 32-29.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son born Tuesday, February 8, at Malden. Mrs. Anderson was formerly Miss Effie Inman.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Welch had as dinner guests Thursday Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Tanner, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson and children.

The Skeston Live Stock Shipping Association will hold its annual meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Saturday, February 12, for the purpose of electing officers.

The Intermediate League will have a valentine party Friday night in the basement of the Methodist church. Mrs. Albert Shields, superintendent of the league will have charge of the affair.

Byron Crain was among those who went to St. Louis to attend the launching of Reginald Potashnick's career upon its voyage across the troubled waters of the sea of matrimony.

Charles Watson, one of The Standard carrier boys, has been ill the past week, his brother, Leonard, carrying his papers for him. We hope Charles will be out and with us again, Monday.

Wid C. Matthews of Caruthersville was a visitor in Skeston, Wednesday afternoon on his way to Cape Girardeau, where he refereed the Cape Teachers-Maryville Teachers basketball game that night.

Mrs. E. B. Buchanan, Mrs. Mathewson and Miss Eloise Mathewson of New Madrid were guests of Mrs. W. B. Robinson over the week-end. On Sunday, they motored to Cape Girardeau for a short visit.

Mrs. J. H. Keady entertained thirty ladies Wednesday afternoon in honor of her guest, Mrs. Robt. Johnson of Shreveport, La., who formerly resided in Skeston. Mrs. Johnson will leave Saturday for Poplar Bluff to visit her daughter, Mrs. Bert Lankford.

LIONS ENDORSE CAIRO BRIDGE

The Skeston Lions Club endorsed the Cairo bridge proposition by a unanimous vote at their weekly luncheon at the Hotel Marshall, Thursday noon.

A resolution was also passed requesting the State Legislature not to lower the appropriation for the National Guards of the State this year as had been proposed. It was pointed out that a cutting of the appropriation would make it impossible for the organization to operate with any degree of efficiency and would make it necessary to do away with a number of the companies.

The Club had as its guests, A. J. Renner, Scott County Agent and Ashleigh P. Boles, Horticultural Agent for the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MATTHEWS

Sheriff Wade Tucker of New Madrid and a United States detective were in Matthews Monday, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCarty and children and Miss Elrene Shelton of Skeston visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Shelton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gentry and babe of Skeston visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Dora Waters, Sunday.

A number of our citizens were in New Madrid Monday attending court.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Caldwell and children spent Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Daugherty. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell will leave in a few days for Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. Effie Williams and children spent the week-end in Chaffee with their husband and father, Bert Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Biggens and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Chiles were Cape Girardeau visitors, Sunday.

Mrs. G. W. Presnell and Miss Elrene Shelton of Skeston were Matthews visitors, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hunott and little son, Gene Lee, returned home after a week's visit here with the latter's mother, Mrs. Dora Waters.

Olen Critchlow has returned from Springfield after finishing a business course at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Steele and little daughter of New Madrid, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Mary Steele.

HILL RESIGNS AS LIONS DISTRICT GOVERNOR

A letter from the International Headquarters of the Lions Club at Chicago, announcing the resignation of Henry A. Hill as District Governor of the Lions Club in Missouri and the appointment and confirmation of Phillip O. Viall of Webster Groves as his successor was read at the luncheon of the Club, Thursday. Mr. Hill's change of residence from the state necessitates his resignation.

Methodist Church

Morning services—Missionary sermon: "Need of America".

Night service: The second of a series of sermons on "The Parables".



At Your Service

Are you planning a St. Valentine's Party?—let us do your baking. Special pies, cakes, in fact any baked food you plan to serve, we can prepare in economical and satisfactory manner.

Phone 62

Schorle Bros., Bakers

Freshman Masterpiece Radios

Supply Your Needs At Our Store

You not only get FULL VALUE for your money, but you may receive a

VALUABLE PRESENT

Wire Fencing, Hardware, Harness, Stoves, Kitchen Utensils, Household Necessities and Groceries are a few of the things we can supply.

The Birthday Presents for this year are:

1st: 1 CITY LOT, 50x120

2nd: NEW PERFECTION OIL RANGE

5-burner with built in oven

3rd: BICYCLE

Tickets are good for all three presents but grownups are eligible to receive only the first and second. The third present goes to the children exclusively. Tickets are given with every cash dollar purchase or paid on account.

ASK FOR YOUR TICKET

271—Phones—272

Farris-Jones Hardware and Grocery Company

THE WINCHESTER STORE

Resolutions of Respect

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to call from labor to rest, our dearly beloved Brother, Gottfried Schuerenberg, who died February 7, 1927; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That, in the death of Bro. Schuerenberg, his family has lost a devoted husband and father, the lodge a faithful and useful member, and the community an upright and honored citizen.

Resolved, That we will ever bear in grateful remembrance the zeal and fidelity with which Bro. Schuerenberg discharged all his Masonic duties, and will try to imitate his devotion to the grand principles of our Fraternity.

Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved widow and children, and recommend them to the care of God whom Bro. Schuerenberg served, and in whom he trusted.

Resolved, That a copy of these Resolutions be spread upon our records, and a copy sent to the family of our deceased Brother.

SCOTT M. JULIAN

H. G. SHARP

WILLIAM BUESCHING

Committee

The Standard \$1.50. per year.

The Pickelhaube, or German helmet, has been replaced by the American police cap in the Swedish police uniform.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dill, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Shuppert, Gord Dill and son, Hildreath were called to Carbondale, Ill., Tuesday afternoon by the serious illness of Mrs. A. B. Dill, who has been visiting relatives in that city. Mrs. Dill was some improved Wednesday, when some members of the family returned home. A. B. Dill and Mrs. Jack Shuppert remained in Carbondale.

Dr. Lee Williams and William Davis of Pt. Pleasant transacted business in Skeston, Wednesday.

A six-foot seven-inch soldier at Fort Sheridan wears the largest shoes made for the United States Army—size 12 EE.

More spacious quarters have been found for the Public Library, Mrs. Ronald Buckles giving the back part of the Music Shop over for that purpose. This will enable several reading tables to be installed for the benefit of the patrons.

New Spring Fabrics for

SEWING WEEK



Here are glimpses of the beauty and charm which mark the first displays of NEW FABRICS FOR SPRING. Sewing week permits an early preparation of your wardrobe for the coming warm days.

45—Phones—46

PINNELL STORE CO.

"The Most of the Best for the Least"

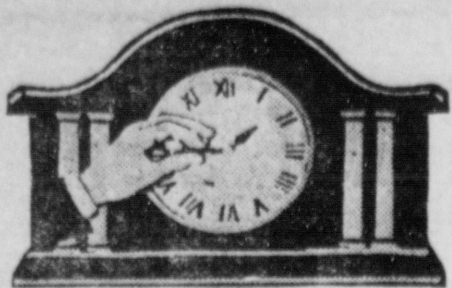


A Cure For Every Shoe Ill

Our expert repairing system affords immediate relief for every ailment experienced by worn shoes. A pair of new heels, new soles, or reinforcement of a worn spot. Prompt service.

ELI ABLES SHOE SHOP

FRONT STREET



**Stopping the
Clock to save
Time is like
Buying Poor Shoes
to Save Money**

Moral-Buy

**FRIEDMAN-SHELBY
ALL LEATHER SHOES
and be safe**

**For Men, Women
and Boys**

THE PEOPLES STORE
2d Door North Bank of Sikeston
SIKESTON, MO.

Ed Kendall was in New Madrid on business, Monday.

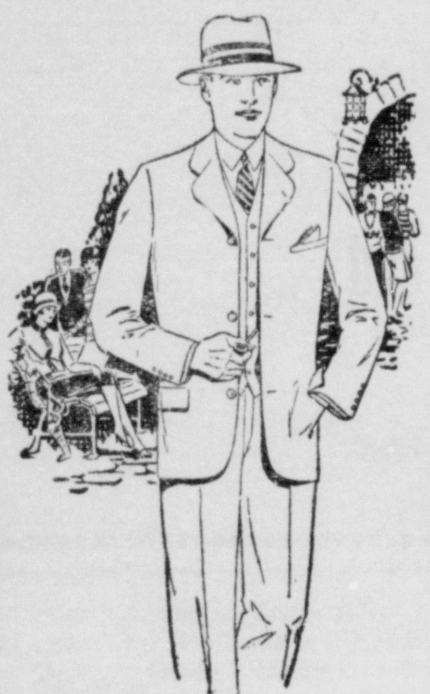
Miss Lucy Godsey spent last week-end with relatives in Clarkton.

Mrs. L. L. Contazer has been visiting relatives in Parma for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Sikes left on Wednesday morning for Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Joe Harrison of Springfield, Mo., representative to the Bennis Bag Co., of St. Louis, transacted business in Sikeston last week.

Mrs. S. W. Applegate, Mrs. C. T. Old, Mrs. Paul Anderson and Mrs. Ralph Anderson drove to Commerce Thursday to attend a luncheon given by Mrs. Wade Anderson.



**YOU
EXPECT
SERVICE**

from your Clothes! You'll get it too if you buy

**"NEEDLE MOLDED
CLOTHES"**

Tailored to measure in Cincinnati by

**The Globe Tailoring
Company**

They're thoroughly well made throughout from the finest materials obtainable—that's the reason they "hold up".

In addition to service you'll get lots of other good things besides, if you select your Spring Suit and Topcoat from this fine line.

—and at a reasonable price.

Ask us about "Needle-Molded" Clothes Silk Lined and Tailored De Luxe



Phone 705

MARTIN GLASS
Nu-Way Cleaning Co.

Local and Personal

Jean Hirschberg transacted business in Malden, Tuesday.

J. Arnold Roth went to St. Louis Tuesday morning, on business.

Mrs. F. L. Pittman was hostess to the members of the Wednesday Club, this week.

Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and Mrs. Clare Stevens and babe drove to Dexter, Tuesday.

Tom Hunter of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest of his sister, Mrs. A. B. Skillman, Tuesday.

Mrs. Josephine Veith was the guest of relatives in Diehlstadt, Saturday and Sunday of last week.

Mrs. Moore Greer attended a bridge party Friday at the home of Mrs. Byron Schuh in Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson, Mrs. W. L. Huter, Mrs. John Powell and Mrs. Earl Pate spent Tuesday in Cairo.

Mrs. W. T. Marshall and son, W. W. Marshall, of Charleston, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Sunday.

Mrs. Lyon Schreff and daughter, Mary Lou, drove to Poplar Bluff on Wednesday to spend the day with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Du Bois and Bob Du Bois, of Cobden, Ill., visited their daughter and sister, Miss Ellen Du Bois, this week.

Judge and Mrs. I. L. Parrott of Lilbourn and Mrs. Effie Hunter of New Madrid were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Henry, last Sunday.

The Lutherans will have services at Miner Switch Sunday morning at 10:30. Theme: "Two Words of Jesus at Bethany". All are welcome.

Mrs. W. L. Hutters will entertain with a bridge party Saturday afternoon honoring her sisters-in-law, Mrs. Olga Woods and Miss Irene Hutters.

E. A. McRae went to Memphis, on Sunday to meet Mrs. McRae and infant son, who were en route home from Lexington, Miss. and Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Huter and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson were guests at a bridge party Monday night, given at the Country Club near Cape Girardeau.

The Ladies' Alter Society, of the Catholic Church, elected Mrs. John Welter president and Mrs. Charles Frank, Secretary-Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Otis Brown, representative of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., who has been located in Mayfield, Ky., has been transferred to the territory surrounding Sikeston.

Mrs. Moore Greer, Mrs. Charles L. Prow and Mrs. Murray Phillips of New Madrid were guests at a bridge party last Saturday given by Miss Helen Shelby in Charleston.

The U. D. C. held a meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Moore Greer, with Mrs. Greer and Mrs. Charles Lindley as hostesses. Mrs. W. S. Smith led the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Randol Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson were in Cairo Sunday afternoon to attend the matinee performance of George White's Scandals.

Mrs. Olga Woods and daughter, Mary Love, and Miss Irma Huter of Cape Girardeau, are expected this Friday for a week-end visit with their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hutters.

The local chapter of the D. A. R. will entertain the Cape Girardeau and New Madrid chapters with a tea party the 22nd of February at the home of Mrs. S. W. Applegate, Regent of the Sikeston Chapter.

Miss Mary Crain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Crain, of Sikeston, was married in Chicago, January 8, 1927, to Wm. H. Light of that city. Judge Harry Erwin of De Kalb, Ill., officiating. Their address in Chicago is 1230 West Madison St.

Ray Marshall returned Tuesday night from Fayette, where he has been attending Central College. Ray is on a several days leave of absence from college to have his throat treated. As soon as its condition will permit, he expects to return to school.

The Hebbeler's have secured J. O. Ingerson of Vermont to serve as dairyman on their farm. Mr. Ingerson is a dairyman of extensive experience having last worked at the Hood Dairy Farm at Boston, Mass. He is a World War veteran, having been a German prisoner for three months.

J. D. Utterback, of Big Creek, Cal., in renewing for The Standard, says: "Am sending check for your 'Old Jefferson Democratic Paper'. Democrats are a little scarce in California as Iowa and Kansas have about filled this state up. Am proud old Missouri is seeing the light again with men like Reed and Hawes to lead them. Regards to all".

A WORD FOR THE PARSON

Picking on the parson is one of the favorite indoor sports in many American homes, and not infrequently the preacher is a convenient object of criticism for a Monday morning editorial. He is condemned if he does and condemned if he doesn't. Now a newspaper takes up valuable editorial space to speak a good word for the parson, and The Reformer Church Messenger appreciatively reprints it. Says the Baltimore Evening Sun:

"In this day of spiritual searching the parson has come in for no little criticism. Perhaps he deserves it, but, on the other hand, it is about time to receive a word of sympathy. His task is difficult, for no matter which way he turns he meets with objections from some part of his flock.

"If the parson takes a narrow view of religion, he is accused of bigotry; if he takes a broad view, he is suspected of heresy. If he asks for money, he is charged with worldliness; if he doesn't ask for it, his church falls to pieces. If he pays calls on his congregation, he risks the reputation of being a bore; if he doesn't pay calls, he is charged with indifference. If he indorses movies, oyster suppers and bowling alleys in the basement, the conservatives protest; if he sticks to services only, the boosters howl. If he introduces innovations in his sermon, he is called sensational; if he confines himself to the beatitudes, he is condemned for his platitudes. If he specializes on the Sunday school, the choir resents it; if he specializes on the choir, the Sunday school blows up.

"In the old days the parson had a ready weapon. He alone could offer the benediction and the absolution. Nowadays very few in the congregation know what either means. Most of them imagine their sins are washed away by the simple process of dropping a quarter in the collection plate. Like the schoolmaster's birch, the parson's big stick has been supplanted by psychology, and no psychology yet discovered has the persuasive effect of a pit seething with fire and brimstone.

"The ideal parson of today must combine the qualities of a financier, an administrator, an orator, a scholar, a salesman, a musician, a teacher, a diplomat. If his church is small, he will find it useful to know also the rudimentary principles employed by painters, plumbers, electricians, furnace men, glaziers, carpenters and roof-repairers. Some parsons break under the strain—and parishioners hold up their hands in surprise and horror. The fact that all of them do not break is, indeed, the greater wonder."—Literary Digest.

FOR SALE—Child's violin.—Mrs. B. F. Blanton, 813 N. Ranney, 4t.

Construction of a nine-hole golf course on the Poplar Bluff Country Club site, will begin immediately, according to R. L. Reed, one of the club officers. Two clubhouses already are located on the property.

Sikeston newspapers have been doing a good deal of left-handed boasting about the condition of their streets of late. This is amply justified, we believe, for it was a task to get over the streets leading to the high school building. On leaving the game a car got "stuck" on the street the writer followed on going out and we took a different one returning. It was little, if any, better, but was negotiated without miring down, fortunately. Caruthersville people can well appreciate the sort of streets we have after an experience like this away from home.—Caruthersville Democrat.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Default having been made for more than six months in payment of dues and interest secured by note described in deed of trust executed by James E. Smith, and his wife Julia A. Smith, dated January Nineteenth, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Four, and recorded on the Twenty-Sixth Day of January, Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Four in Office of Recorder of Deeds for Scott County, Missouri, at Benton, Missouri, in Book number 45, at Page number 69, conveying to undersigned the following described real estate and improvements thereon, in the County of Scott, State of Missouri, to-wit:

All of Lots numbered Eight (8), Nine (9) and Ten (10), in Block number Four (4), in the Original Town, now City, of Sikeston, Missouri, according to the Official Plat and Survey thereof, and all improvements thereon.

Now in accordance with the terms and conditions of said note and deed of trust and the legal holder and owner of said note and deed of trust having declared the whole debt due as secured thereby, I will, at the request of said legal holder and owner, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 5th, 1927 between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. of said day sell the above described property to the highest bidder for cash at the Front Door of the Post Office in the Town or City of Sikeston, Scott County, Missouri, for the purpose of satisfying said debt and costs.

LEE B. EWING, (Trustee).
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Lore for Dog-Owners

By Albert Payson Terhune

THE MEANEST MAN



A Piece of Cooked Liver Just Inside the Entrance.

IT WAS A sorrowful little group that stood around a little new-heaped mound in the garden of the Brewsters' house on Vine street one slushy day late in winter.

Old Man Negley had dug a grave in the frosty loam and there he had laid a ruffled body—a body which, a day earlier, had been vibrant with daily happy life and with love for all mankind. It was the body of Mary Brewer's beloved Alfreddale puppy. Mary and a group of children were watching the burying of their pet.

"Don't cry, dear!" Old Man Negley consoled the sobbing Mary as he finished shaping the sodden mound above the grave. "He's past all kinds of pain and bad treatment now. Nothing can hurt him any more. By and by you'll get to remembering what a happy life you gave him and how much you did for him and that'll comfort you.

"Just think, he might have been owned by folks who'd have neglected him or beaten him or made him worthless. Instead of that, he was owned by you and you did everything for him. He had a lovely life with you, all his ten months. That is something worth remembering."

The old man's face was very gentle and tender as he talked to the weeping Mary. But as he turned away from the group and went indoors at a call from Mr. Brewer, there was a flinty set to his mouth and an ugly light in his kind old eyes.

"I'm a peaceful man, Mr. Brewer," said he, as Brewer beckoned him into the kitchen. "But I'd gladly do three months in jail for the privilege of smashing every bone in the body of the blackguard who poisoned that baby's pet dog. If there is a hell hereafter, there must be a specially sizzling corner of it waiting for the folks who poison dogs. . . . By the way," he broke off, "you beckoned me to come in here. What did you want me for? I ought to have asked right off, but I was kind of riled by Mary's crying and by—"

"Riled?" echoed Brewer, savagely. "That's nothing to the way I feel. It's nothing to the way I've felt ever since we found poor Gyp lying on the doorstep this morning dying of the strychnia poison someone had given him. That's why I sent for you. I'm going to punish the brute who poisoned that brave, inoffensive little Alfreddale if it takes every cent I've got and if it lands me in a police court for assault and battery."

"You can't do it, Mr. Brewer," said Negley. "That's the rotten part of it. Dog poisoning is so easy to do and so hard to prove. If you catch someone putting poisoned food on your own land and if you can prove it is poisoned, then you may be able to do something, legally—but not half enough. Or if you can catch someone actually feeding poisoned food to your dog, you can maybe do a bit more. But still not enough. As it is, you can't do a thing.

"Don't scowl at me. I'm telling you the truth—even if it's bad-tasting, as truth is apt to be. A dog is the easiest animal in the world to poison just as a cat is the hardest to poison. A dog bolts down a chunk of meat or of some other food without sniffing at it or chewing it carefully. A cat always smells and tastes a morsel of food before she eats it and even then she doesn't bolt it at a gulp.

"Anyone can put strychnia or arsenic or powdered glass into a lump of meat and then wait his time to toss it to a dog when nobody is looking or else leave it in the yard of the house the dog lives in. You may have your suspicions but unless you have positive proof, you can't do a thing. More than once I'd have taken a chance by thrashing some person I had reason to suspect was a dog-poisoner, only the person happened to be a woman all three times. It's said that three times as many women are dog poisoners as men. I don't like to believe that.

"We'll say there is a quarrel between two people who live next door to each other. One of them tries to 'get even' by poisoning the other's dog. Or there is a dog that digs up flower beds or chases chickens. The owner of the flowers or of the chickens leaves poisoned food on his own premises for the dog to gobble up next time. And there isn't any real proof.

"That plucky Alfreddale pup of Mary's may have barked at some timorous old woman who was so afraid of the playful little chap that she decided to get rid of him. Or some thief may have wanted to get into your house, and he may have paved the way by poisoning your young watch dog. It may have happened in any of a dozen ways. You can't hope to bring proof of it home to any one. I wish you could, but you can't.

"Once up in North Jersey, where I worked, a man had a glorious collie that was like a member of the family. He was the wisest and sweetest and most beautiful dog I ever saw. There was some sort of a sanitarium about a mile away. One of the patients—a hysterical fool—went for a walk dressed as a man, and she crossed the grounds where this collie lived. He didn't see her, as he was indoors. But some puppies were loose and they came racing around her and barking and jumping at her, in play. She went home, bellowing, and she told the nurses at the sanitarium that she had been set upon by savage dogs.

"Two days later this grand old collie saw a bit of cooked liver just inside the entrance of his master's grounds. He ate it. At once he was in agony. A vet was rushed to work over him. It was no use. The vet made an autopsy. Arsenical poisoning. A second bit of liver was found near the gate with enough arsenic in it to kill two humans. But there was no real proof.

"Up in Buffalo awhile back a dog was poisoned. His master had this inscription put over the dog's grave: 'Here lies Spot, who fought square and in the open unlike the yellow sneaking coward who poisoned him.'"

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"Queen City of East"

Once Antioch's Title

Ancient Antioch in Syria stood a little inland from the northeastern shore of the Mediterranean. It was built in the year 300 B. C. by Seleucus, the Grecian king of Asia Minor. Because of the beauty of its situation and magnificence of many of its buildings it was named "Queen of the East." It was at Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians, a name probably given to them by pagans as a nickname. After the destruction of Jerusalem by Titus, 770 A. D., Antioch became the center of Christendom, the Family Herald says.

In the Middle Ages Antioch fell into the hands of the Saracens, but the Crusaders captured it in 1098 and held it until June, 1268, when it was captured by the sultan of Egypt and later by the Turks. The peace arrangement of 1919 placed this part of Syria under the mandate of France.

Tidal Rivers

The term "drowned river system" refers to such a system of tidal rivers as the Hudson, Delaware, Susquehanna, Potomac and James, wherever the trunk valley and its branches were submerged by the sea entering their lower parts because of a sinking of the edge of the continent. This has made possible wonderful harbors at the mouths of these tidal streams.

Dinosaur Tracks

Dinosaur footprints, found on a thin layer of rock about seven miles from Tuba City on the Navajo Indian Reservation, near the Grand Canyon park, Arizona, measure 16 inches in length and 12 in width.

LOST—Somewhere between Benton and New Madrid, on Tuesday, two overcoats. Return to The Standard office. Reward.

Following a nervous shock, a Parisian turned blue all over. Physicians have been unable to restore him to his natural color.

What was believed to be the oldest horse in the world died in Rushville, Illinois, recently at the age of forty years.

Primitive Russians place a certificate of character in a dead person's hand, to be given to Saint Pete at the gates of Heaven.

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